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# CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS 

## (OFFICIAL COPY)

FIRST DAY-MORNING SESSION.<br>Annville, Pa., October 3, 1917.

The one hundred and eighteenth session of the East Pennsylvania annual conference, Church of the United Brethren in Christ, convened on the above date at nine o'clock a.m., in the First Church of the United Brethren in Christ, Annville, Pennsylyania, Bishop William M. Bell, D.D., LL.D., of Washington, D. C., presiding.
S. F. Daugherty announced the hymns, "All hail the power of Jesus' name" and "How firm a foundation," and Bishop Bell led the conference in prayer, after which he read from Romans 6:1-14, and in a prelude to his addiress called the conference to the "Challenge of the Four-Year Program," Following this, Bishop Bell delivered an address on "A Christian Interpretation of Modern Life." Prayer was offered by R. R. Butterwick, S. F. Daugherty, Wm. Beach, and J. B. Funk.

The roll of the conference was called, after which, the conference standing, the roll of deceased members was called, and a hymin was sung.

Three tiers of pews from the west side of the auditorium were reserved as the bar of the conference.

The provisional program for the conference session, as printed, was on motion designated as the order of business for the session of the conference.

The following resolution relative to hearing pastors' reports was passed:

[^0]| Educational Board. |  |
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| J. T. Spangler, D.D., Term ends 1918. E. O. Burtner, D.D., Term ends 1918. |  |
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Bible Cause-M. A. Wagner.
Resolutions-E. O. Burtner, D.D.
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Committee on Applicants and Credentials-J. T. Spangler, D.D., H. E. Miller, D.D., A. S. Lehman.

First Year-C. A. Mutch, M. H. Tones, T. A. Keiper.
Second Year-E. O. Burtner, D.D., H. F. Rhoad, Toseph Daugherty.
Third Year-I. H. Albright. Ph.D., A. G. Nye, A. K. Wier.
Fourth Year-S. C. Enck. D.D., T. M. Walters, C. A. Snavely.
Committee on Elders' Orders and Ordination-D. S. Longenecker, L. R. Kramer, M. H. Miller.

The following were referred to the committee on Applicants and Credentials:

For license to preach the gospel-M. B. Groff, Harvey K. Geyer, Raymond S. Heberlig, Charles R. Beittel, Albert Dambach, Parke B. Kurtz, Samuel T. Dundore, and E. V. Shannon.

To unite with the conference-T. C. Deitzler, subject to receiving a transfer from the Pennsylvania conference, and G. W. Rothermel, subject to receiving a transfer from the Allegheny conference.

For transfer-Z. A. Weidler, unon his reauest for an open transfer.
For conference action-T. C. Pease, renuesting an honorable dismissal from the conference and Church; T. E. Morrison for action relative to him.

The following resolution relative to the placing of a mortgage on the property of the Philadelphia Third Church was, on motion, passed:

Resolved. That the East Pennsvlvania annual conference of the Church of the United Brethren in Christ execute a mortonge on its property situated in the City of Philadelohia, on Wvoming Avenue, hetween Twelfth and Camac Streets, for the sum of Fourteen Thousand Dollars ( $\$ 14,000$ ) to The Valley Trust Co., of Palmyra. Pa., and that the nresident of said annual conference he herebv authorized to execute a mortgage. for and in the name of said annual conference. and that the same he dulv attested by the secretary of said annual conference, and its corporate seal be affixed thereto.
S. C. ENCK,
H. E. MILIER,

Committee.
The following were granted advisory seats during this session of the conference:

General Officers-Rev. S. S. Hough, D.D., General Secretary of Foreign Missions; G. A. Funkhouser, D.D.. proféssor of Seminary Extension; G. D. Gossard, D.D., president of Lebanon Valley college: J. E. Fout, D.D., General Manager, Bonebrake Theological Seminary; R. G. Mowery, field agent of Quincy Orphanage; Dr. O. E. Williams, evangelist; J. S. Kendall, D.D., Secretary of the Board of Administration.

Pennsylvania Conference-A. R. Ayers, J. R. Hutchison, F. S. Stein, A. B. Statton, D.D., A. A. Long, D.D., F. Berry Plummer, A. F. Horn, D.D.

The following were introduced to the conference during its session: Rev. W. F. DeLong, of the Reformed Church; Rev. R. C. Deibert, pastor of A1bright college; Rev. A. S. Stauffer, professor in Albright college; H. S. Yeakel, of the United Evangelical Church; Rev. W. J. Edelman, Rev. Mr. Fasnacht, of the United Evangelical Church; Rev. Mr. Claypool, secretary of the AntiSaloon League; Rev. J. S. McGaw, D.D., of the National Reform Association.

Following announcements the first day morning session, of the conference adjourned with the benediction by S. D. Faust.

## FIRST DAY-AFTERNOON SESSION.

The first day afternoon session of the conference convened at two o'clock. Devotional exercises were conducted by D. S. Longenecker.

The committee appointed by the annual conference to sell the church property at Marietta, Pa., reported as follows, which was, on motion, approved.

## STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES <br> Appointed to sell the United Brethren in Christ Church, Marietta, Pa. Receipts.

Received cash for rent of church building..................................................... $\$_{200}^{3.00}$
Received cash for sale of building and lot......................................................... . . . 200.00
Total receipts....................................... . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\$ 203.00$
Expenditures.
Paid judgment held against property . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\$ 146.09$
Paid attorney's fee and affidavits.......................................................................... . . . . . 6.25
Paid insurance and interest.............................................................................. 4.45
Paid committee's expenses, looking up record, travel, etc.
5.21

Total expenses........ . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\$ 162.00$
Balance in hands of committee (check herewith enclosed payable to order of J. R.
Engle, treasurer).................................................................................. . . . 41.00
$\$ 203.00$
SHERIDAN D. FISHER, By Roy K. Garber, Secretary. H. R. BOOKMAN,
M. D. KENDIG,
I. K. FRY,

ROY K. GARBER,
Committee.
The conference superintendent's report was read by J. A. Lyter on behalf of the committee on Superintendence. It is as follows, and was, on motion, approved.

## REPORT OF CONFERENCE SUPERINTENDENT.

To the Bishop and Members of the East Pennsylvania Annual Conference, Church of the United Brethren in Christ:

Dear Brethren-The voice that is so familiar to us and has so often read the superintendent's report does not respond to-day when our honored bishop calls for the resume of the year's work of this annual conference. Our hearts are sad and we almost resent the intrusion of a new voice and the response of another to the prerogative which was conceded to him alone for so many years. But God did it, and his voice is forever silent in our deliberations except only as "he being dead yet speaketh and as his works do follow him." And so, dear brethren, you will forgive the intrusion and pardon the falterings of novices, even though you have for so long a time been accustomed to the master hand of the skilled leader.

Quickly another year has passed and we are again assembled to render an account of that which the Lord hath wrought through us, as well as to plan a new campaign for righteousness, purity, truth, and God. Most of us probably feel that many things remain undone that we had hoped to accomplish during this year and in so far our hearts are sad and we grieve that the opportunities have passed and God's kingdom has not been as fully advantaged through us in their passing as it might have been. On the other hand every honest pastor who has done what he could is conscious that the best results of honest Christian effort cannot always be written in a report, nor yet do they appear to the casual observer, but like bread cast upon the waters it will be found after many days; and so he rests in the consciousness of having been faithful even though not apparently entirely successful.

Death's Toll-Five times did death invade our ranks during the year. On the first Sunday after the last session of the conference, W. W. Fridinger went to his new appointment at New Holland where he preached acceptably to the people. Accompanied by his son, M. V. Fridinger,
pastor at Intercourse, he returned to his home at Jonestown by automobile the sane night and retired apparently in fair health, but in the morning he was not, for God had taken him.

On December 7, 1916, S. B. Wengert, pastor at Lebanon Bethany, passed to his eternal reward after a brief'illness. He was a faithful and conscientious pastor, a genial companion, and a true friend. The weight of years was not yet upon him, but God said, "It is enough, come up higher," and he obeyed the summons with the readiness of the true servant of God,

Two years ago. A. Lehman was stricken down hy disease and compelled to relinquish the pastorate at Pine Grove. He removed to Reading where he continued in suffering until death released him, April 5, 1917. He was humble and retiring in disposition, an earnest preacher of the Word and a faithful pastor.

George W. Enders ended his days on earth, December 27, 1916, after several years of complete helplessness. His mind remained clear to the end and he died in the triumph of faith. He was never an active itinerant and never served a charge. After teaching in the public schools of Dauphin County, Pennsylvania, for upwards of a quarter of a century die engaged in business at Enders, Pennsylvania. He was the pillar of his home church, and superintendent of the Sunday school since his early manhood and was a welcome supply for the churches of his home and surrounding charges whenever needed.

After his return from the last session of the General Conference, which he said he would attend even if he had to be taken there on a cot, and every session of which he did attend, our honored and beloved conference superintendent, Dr. D. D. Lowery, fell asleep, May 29, 1917. Being practically in the prime of life, he expressed the desire to live a while longer to serve the Church and the Lord whom he loved, but intense suffering closed his earth life so soon. The conference has lost a staunch supporter and friend, a strong leader and a faithful servant. His counsels will be missed in our deliberations and his absence from us will be a source of loneliness and sorrow.

Suitable memoirs of all these will be presented to the conference at a service held for that purpose during its session.

Resignations and Supplies-Early in the conference year, J. Paul Hummel, who was assigned to Hillsdale charge, resigned it on account of failing health. Two students from Lebanon Valley college, Paul Shannon and Raymond S. Heberlig, were appointed to fill the vacancy. Upon the death of S. B. Wengert, David T. Gregory was appointed to the pastorate of Lebanon Bethany. Following the death of Doctor Lowery, the conference superintendent, Bishop Bell called a meeting of the Conference Missionary and Church Extension Society in the Derry Street Church, Harrisburg; and after consultation appointed S. C. Enck, H. E. Miller, and J. A. Lyter a committee on Superintendence to take charge of the affairs of the conference until its next sitting.

Applicants for License to Preach-Samuel Thomas Dundore, of the Schaefferstown quarterly conference, Paul E. V. Shannon, of the Hillsdale quarterly conference, M. B. Groff, of the Pequea quarterly conference, Harvey K. Geyer, of the Florin quarterly conference, Raymond S. Heberlig, of the Highspire quarterly conference, Charles R. Beittel and Albert Dambach, of the Columbia quarterly conference, and Parke Kurtz, of the Philadelphia Second quarterly conference, have been properly recommended to this annual conference for license to preach the gospel.

Itinerancy-The following brethren, M. V. Fridinger, L. D. Gottschall, W. E. Shoop, and M. O. Wagner, having served in the pastorate during the past two years should now be transferred to the itinerant list.

Material Improvement-We are seriously hampered at this point because no data could be found among Doctor Lowery's effects relative to the material improvements in the conference and will therefore be dependent on the conference statistics as they will appear in the published Minutes for this information. Only one new church is in course of erection at this time, namely, at Aristes on the Catawissa charge where, under the direction of the pastor, P. M. Holdeman, a fine, modern church house is being built that, we are told, will adequately meet the needs of that congregation for many years to come, and will be a credit to the conference and the denomination.

It requires more than ordinary courage to undertake building operations in this time of war conditions when both labor and material are soaring in price until they become almost prohibitive. It is to be hoped, however, that where church debts exist these days of affluence and plenty shall not be permitted to pass by without being put to good use in their material reduction and entire payment.

Spiritual Status-Times of prosperity such as we are experiencing in this day are not, as a rule, very conducive to spiritual growth and development. Men are so busy attending to the affairs of this world, and laying up for themselves the treasures of the earth, that they frecuently have neither time, strength, nor inclination left for the things of God, and our old Adamic natures are so bewitched by material success that we are sometimes almost ready to jeopardize the soul itself in order to win fame and fortune.

But we are glad that this witchery of the world is not universal, that His children are not overcome by this zeit-geist. Instead, they keep their eyps on Him, and are engaged as Daniel of old showing Christ and his salvation to the world. both by nrecept and examnle.

The ministers of this conference are still preaching the old gospel of the Son of God with might and power. They continue to hold up Tesus Christ as the only Savior of the world and his precious blood as the only remedy for sin. And this preaching has its effect; for notwithstanding these times of materialism and surfeiting of gold the report will show a goodly number of conversions and accessions.

Conventions and Camp-Meetings-The branch meeting of the Woman's Missionary Association was held in the Palmyra First Church, and the Young People's Society of Chrian Endeavor convention was held at Hershey. Both presented strong and interesting programs, and took advanced ground in their respective spheres of activity for the coming year.

The camp-meetings at Elizahethville and Mt. Lehanon were held as usual. The programs were strong, the preaching was evangelical and evangclistic, and the spiritual lives of those who attended the services were quickened.

Because of the high cost of living and the very husy season the camp-meeting at Hillsdale was held only for two days, Saturday and Sunday. August 25,26 , under the direction of Dr. I, H: Albright. A profitable time and a good attendance were reported.

Concerning the Bible conference at Mt. Gretna, we beg leave to quote the following editorial note from the September issue of the Conference Herald
"If any one attending the Bible conference at Mt. Gretna had any doubts as to the advisability of changing it from the camp-meeting to the Dible conference, the session just closed undoubtedly proved the wisdom of the change. The steadv interest of the people, and their attendance of the services; the deep spiritual atmosphere which pervaded not only the services but the people when away from the serviccs; the greater reverence and love that were begotten for the Bible and a keener interest stimulated for its study, and a deepening reverence for our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, all spcak louder than words the blessed results that have grown out of the conference. And while men may differ as to the viewpoint of its interpretation, it is clear that most Christians know entirely too little of the world, and that its study is not only profitahle but exceedingly blessed and surprisingly fascinating.
'Those who carp that the Bible is out of date and has lost its grip on the people ought to have secn the apparcnt hunger of the people for the knowledge of the Word and the light it really sheds on every-day life and present problems; and that this interest centers not only at Mt. Gretna but that everywhere in our land and in the countries across the waters these conferences are springing up and gripping the attention of men as nothing else does, most assuredly proves disconcerting to them and silences their so-called arguments. Great blessing will undoubtedly come to our conference by continuing these annual gatherings."

Lebanon Valley College-We are meeting under the very shadows of this institution which for more than fifty years has expressed something of our ideals of a Christian college and Christian education. What she has wrought only eternity will reveal, and much of what we expected her to do was not done because, it may be, we also failed in sympathy and support.

This is a fine opportunity to investigate its aims, ideals, accomplishments, methods, and facilities at first-hand. I am very sure it neither can nor will regard your investigation an impertinent intrusion. but will welcome you and cladly furnish you all available information.

Let it not be said by us when we have gone, "I do not know," but may we rather be fully informed of Lebanon Valley's doings and needs. This is our college and we owe it to ourselves to sustain such relations to her as we owe to every legitimate aim of our Lord's kingdom. Of her successes, strivings, and struggles the president will tell you in his report.

In Conclusion-You would not expect us to make any recommendations at this time, for that would be the height of impertinence, since we are onlv a "fill in" until the meeting of this conference. In addition to this we havc been unable even to cover the entire conference district, let alone study carefully its needs and adjustments. In the absence of such recommendations and the enunciation of policies, the confcrence must charge itself with the performance of that duty in such a way as seems good to itself. If ariything vital has been omitted from the report you will forgive us. This is our first offense; and remember that we have had no data except such as come to us from memory and other conference records.

We express our thanks and appreciation to you all, for you have all been patient and for bearing with us, and pray that God's blessings may abound toward you, and his blessings may direct us wisely during the conference scssion, and grant us another year of fruitful toil and blessed service in our Master's vineyard. We are,
T. A. LYTER,
S. CNCK, E. MILLER,
H. E.
on Superintendence.

The report of the Conference Missionary and Church Extension Society was presented by the secretary, T. G. Spangler. It is as follows, and was, on motion, approved.

## REPORT OF MISSIONARY AND CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY.

Your board of managers of the Conference Missionary and Church Extension Society share with you the joys of another conference gathering, and unite with you in giving the praise to God through whose grace it was made possible.

The year passed with but a few matters requiring special attention.
The sudden death of our beloved and efficient fresident and superintendent of the conferencc, Dr. D. D. Lowery, brought the board together by the call and request of our esteemed and honored Bishop Bell, the result of which was that he appointed Doctors Lyter, Enck, and H. E. Miller to superintend the work during the remainder of the year.

The financial end of the Philadelphia Third Church was adjusted with the contractor and supervising architect as per contract, and the local church charged with the amount assumed by them

The other various matters were attended to with the sole purpose of serving the best interests of the conference.

The notes in the hands of the treasurer against churches which received loans are looked after, and a kindly request made to have these obligations reduced as much as possible, to which some have responded in a creditable manner. To conduct these matters, however, on a strictly business basis is not an enviable task.

The missions requiring appropriations have materially decreased within the last few years, which is evidence that a growth in the right direction has taken place.

The Philadelphia interests are going forward very hopefully, and one at least can be dropped from the list this year. Philadelphia Second Church has made a record unequalled in the history of the conference during the few years of its existence.

The work at Philadelphia Third Church is comparatively new, but is in a fair way of success, so with continued faith, prayers, and liberality on the part of a loyal constituency, there is no visible evidence of discouragement. The territory is one of the most promising, and with her devoted membership this field will become, as it should, a power for good to the salvation of the thousands in this fine locality.

The compensation insurance matter referred to this board by the conference was attended to, and the insurance placed to protect the charges. It is important that all the charges get under this protection.

We gratefully acknowledge the kindly helpfulness accorded the board during the past year.
T. G. SPANGLER,

The committee on Boundaries presented the following report, which was, on motion, approved.

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BOUNDARIES.

We, your committee on Boundaries, recommend the following:
First, That the Schaefferstown-Mt. Ætna charge be dissolved.
Second, That Schaefferstown be attached to Lebanon Hebron and the charge be known at Lebanon Hebron.

Third, That Mt Ætna be attached to Myerstown and the charge be known as Myerstown.
Fourth, That Shopes and Swatara Hill be detached from Hillsdale and that Hillsdale and Falmouth be constituted a charge to be known as Hillsdale.

Fifth, That Stoverdale be detached from Union circuit and attached to Swatara Hill and Shopes, and together they be known as Stoverdale circuit.

Sixth, That all other charges remain as they now are.

## COMMITTEE: <br> O. T. EHRHART, Secretary.

The committee on Applicants and Credentials reported as follows, which was, on motion, adopted.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPLICANTS AND CREDENTIALS.

The committee on Applicants, Credentials, and Conference Relations recommend:
First, That J. C. Deitzler, of the Pennsylvania conference, and G. W. Rothermel, of the Allegheny conference, be received subject to their credentials.

Second, That H. K. Geyer, Samuel Dundore, Paul E. V. Shannon, M. B. Groff, Parke B. Kurtz, and R. S. Meberlig be granted annual conference license.

Third, That C. R. Beittel and Albert W. Dambach be retained in their quarterly conference relation.

Fourth, That the names of J. C. Pease and J. E. Morrison be dropped from the roll of the conierence.

Fifth, That H. K. Geyer, R. S. Heberlig, and Paul E. V. Shannon be recommended to the board of education for aid.

Sixth, That the characters of the following unemployed ministers be fassed: G. F. Biet man, John Binkley, F. J. Butterwick, S. D. Faust, J. B. Funk, U. Gambler, I. M. Groff, P. L. Haines, C. H. Holzinger, I. B. Koons, William Lamey, A. M. Blecker, J. F. Musselman. J. Shoop, C. W. Shoop, A. E. Shroyer, Z. A. Weidler, D. E. Young, G. L. Blouch, O. E. Carl, C. L. Earley, J. H. Kurtz, W. H. Lehman, G. A. Richie, H. U. Roop, C. W. Schwalm, W. H. Snyder, B. B. Weidman, C. I. B. Brane, P. B. Gibble, J. G. Steiner, E. F. Castetter, C. C. Witmer, and J. Paul Hummel.

Seventh, That Z, A. Weidler be granted an open transfer.
Signed:
J. T. SPANGLER,
H. E. MILLER,

ARTHUR S. LEHMAN,
Cominittee.
The committee on First Year Course of Study reported as follows, which was, on motion, approved.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FIRST YEAR COURSE OF STUDY.
The committee on First Year Course of Study examined the following licentiates and graded them as follows:

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We recommend that H. M. Mentzer and L. D. Gottschall be passed to the Second Year Course of Study. (L. D. Gottschall conditioned.)

That Martin Groff, G. L. Blouch, H. F. Boeshore, M. A. Wagner, M. V. Fridinger, C. A. Solleṇberger, W: H. Kachel, J. P. Hummel, and J. O. Jones be retained.
C. A. MUTCH,
M. H. JONES,
J. A. KEIPER, Committee.

The report of the committee on Second Year Course of Study was presented by H. F. Rhoad. It is as follows, and was, on motion, adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SECOND YEAR COURSE OF STUDY.
The committee on Second Year Course of Study examined the following licentiates and graded them as follows:

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| C. R. Longenecker. | 93 | 96 | 92 | 94 | 95 | 90 |
| O. R. Brooks...... <br> C W Schwalm |  |  |  |  | 85 | 82 |
| C. W. M. Schwalm. |  |  |  | 70 90 |  |  |

We recommend that C. R. Longenecker, O. R. Brooks, C. W. Schwalm, and H. M. Mentzer be passed to the Third Year Course of Study; that C. H. Holzinger, having completed the Junior and Middle years at Princeton Theological Seminary, and P. B. Gibble, having completed the Junior and Middle years at Bonebrake Theological Seminary, be passed to the Third Year Course of Study; that G. A. Richie, having completed the course at Bonebrake Theological Seminary and was ordained, is therefore exempt from further examination. And that E. F. Castetter, N. I. Fake, G. W. Hallman, H. E. Shaeffer, and O. E. Carl be retaincd in the Second Year Coursc of Study.

Respectfully submitted,
H. F. RHOAD,

JOSEPM DAUĠHERTY,
E. O. BURTNER,

Committee.
The report of committee on Third Year Course of Study was presented by A. G. Nye. It is as follows, and was, on motion, approved.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THIRD YEAR COURSE OF STUDY.

The committee on Third Year Course of Study examined the following licentiates and graded them as follows:

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| J. R. MacDonald. |  | 90 |  |  | 85 |  |  | 85 |
| C. R. Longenecker | 85 | 90 | 98 | 98 | 85 | 91 | 90 | ${ }_{90}^{90}$ |
| I. W. Funk... | 85 | 95 | 90 |  | 84 | 91 | 95 | 90 |
| C. W. Schwalm. | 88 | 82 | S0 |  |  |  |  | so |
| H. H. Fertig. |  |  |  |  |  | 85 | 91 |  |
| J. F. Brown..... | S8 | 85 | 80 | 90 | 83 | 88 | 85 | 85 |

We recommend that J. R. MacDonald, C. R. Longenecker, H. M. Mentzer, and J. F. Brown pass to the Fourth Year Course of Study, and that W. E. Shoop, Cornwell Beamesderfer, I. W. Funk, C. W. Schwalm, and H. H. Fertig be retained in the Third Year Course of Study.
I. H. ALBRIGHT,
A. G. NYE,
A. K. WIER,

Committee.
The committee on Fourth Year Course of Study reported as follows, which was, on motion, approved.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOURTH YEAR COURSE OF STUDY.

The committee on Fourth Year Course of Study examined the following licentiates and graded them as follows:

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| J. R. MacDonald | 88 | 86 | 90 | 95 | 90 | 90 |  |  |  | 90 |
| C. R. Longeneck | 93 | 95 | 92 | 95 | 85 | 90 |  |  |  | 85 |
| H. A. Smith.. | 85 | 90 | 90 | 90 | 90 | 92 |  |  |  | 87 |
| H. M. Mentzer. | 82 | 85 | 85 | 80 | 80 | 85 |  |  |  | 85 |
| C. Y. Ulrich. | 99 | 93 93 | 95 95 | 95 92 | 90 100 | 95 85 |  |  |  | 90 |
| J. F. Brown. . | 85 |  |  |  |  | 80 | 85 | S0 | s0 | S2 |

These licentiates having completed their Course of Study, we recommend that they pass to the committee on Elders' Orders.
S. C. ENCK
J. M. WALTERS,
C. A. SNAVELY, Committee.

On motion, J. R. MacDonald, C. R. Longenecker, H. A. Smith, H. M. Mentzer, O. T. Ehrhart, C. Y. Ulrich, and J. F. Brown were referred to the committee on Elders' Orders.

The committee on Elders' Orders reported as follows, which was, on motion, adopted.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ELDERS' ORDERS.

We, your committee on Elders' Orders, beg leave to report as follows:
We have examined O. T. Ehrhart. Herbert A. Smith. J. F. Brown, H. M. Mentzer. Joseph R. MacDonald, Charles Y. Ulrich, and C. R. Longenecker as per Discipline. We found them sound in doctrine and recommend that they be ordaincd.
D. S. LONGENECKER, M. H. MILLER
L. R. KRAMER.

Committee.
A ballot taken for conference superintendent resulted in no election.
A second ballot taken for conference superintendent resulted in the election of S. C. Enck to that position.
G. A. Funkhouser, D.D., professor of Seminary Extension, addressed the annual conference in the interest of that work.
G. D. Batdorf addressed the annual conference most acceptably on "The Biblical Conception of the Christian Ministry."
S. C. Enck announced that the General Conference budget was raised within $\$ 77.98$. After a short address by A. S. Kreider, the full amount was raised by a free-will offering.

After announcements the first day afternoon session of the conference adjourned with the benediction by Bishop Bell.

## SECOND DAY-MORNING SESSION.

The second day morning session of the conference convened at nine o'clock. Devotional exercises were conducted by W. E. Daugherty.

Bishop Bell addressed the conference on "Menaces to Ministerial Efficiency."

The roll of the conference was called and the minutes of the first day sessions were read and approved.

On motion, the conference treasurer was authorized to place compensation insurance for such charges of the conference as pay their pro rata share of the cost of the policy.

Dr. G. A, Funkhouser addressed the conference on Christian education.
Prof. R. G. Mowery, field agent of the Quincy Orphanage, presented that cause to the conference, and distributed several baskets of peaches raised on the orphanage farm to the conference.

The committee on Nominations presented the following report, which was, on motion, adopted, and the committee was ordered to have ballots printed.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

Recording Secretary.
(Vote for one)
C. E. Boughter.
E. O. Burtner.

Assistant Recording Secretary. (Vote for one)
P. H. Balsbaugh.
O. T. Ehrhart.

Statistical Secretary.
(Vote for two)
E. A. G. Bossler.
R. R. Butterwick.
A. S. Lehman.
A. G: Nye.

Conference Sunday-School Board. (Vote for five)
D. D. Buddinger.
M. S. Hendricks.

Ira W. Funk.
C. W. Hallman.
H. S. Kiefer.
I. A. Keiper.
D. E. Long.
I. G. Mentzer.
A. L. Lesslie.
I. N. Seldomridge.

Conference Historical Secretary. (Vote for one)
I. H. Albright.
D. S. Longenecker.

Conference Treasurer. (Vote for one)
T. R. Engle.

Jonas Stehman.
Managers of Conference Missionary and Church Extension Society. (Vote for three)
S. C. Enck.
M. H. Jones.
E. O. Burtner,
R. R Butterwick.
D. E. Long.
T. Moyer Hershey.

One of the following to be elected for two - $r$ Buears.
G. D. Batdorf.

Professor of Russel Biblical Chair. (Vote for one)
Thomas Garland.
P. L. Haines.

Trustees for Lebanon Valley College. (Vote for three)
G. F. Breinig.

Isaiah Buffington.
I. M. Hershey.
H. A. Sherk.
I. B. Haak.

Jonas Stehman.
Trustees of Russel Biblical Fund.
William Beach.
B. M. Brenneman.
D. D. Buddinger.

Ira W. Funk.
P. M. Holdeman.
S. G. Kauffman.
R. E. Morgan.
O. G. Romig.
C. A. Lynch.
M. H. Wert.

## Trustees of Anti-Saloon League.

G. D. Batdorf.
C. S. Miller.
R. R. Butterwick.

Joseph Daugherty.

## Conference Publication Board.

(Vote for six)
S. C. Enck.
I. N. Seldomridge.
A. K. Wier.
T. R. Engle.

Robert A. Enders.
C. A. Snavely.
S. E. Rupp.
H. F. Rhoad.
H. S. Kiefer.
M. A. Wagner.
A. S. Lehman.
C. R. Longenecker.

## Conference Branch Home Missionary Committee. <br> (Vote for three)

H. E. Miller.
H. E. Shaeffer.
S. L. Rhoads.
O. M. Mease.
C. E. Rettew.
L. R. Kramer.

## Editor of Conference Herald. <br> (Vote for one)

S. E. Rupp.
M. H. Wert.

Conference Finance Commission.
(Vote for six)
A. S. Kreider.
I. B. Haak

Rohert Enders.
J. R. Engle.
T. G. Stehman.
C. A. Mutch.
B. F. Daugherty.
S. F. Daugherty.
A. K. Wier.
H. M. Miller.
I. J. Behney.
J. A. Keiper.

## Educational Board.

(Vote for two)
R. R. Butterwick.
A. E. Shroyer.
A. S. Lehman.
N. L. Linebangh.

Christian $\begin{gathered}\text { Stewardship Committee. }\end{gathered}$
M. H. Miller.
R. E. Morgan.
S. R. Graybill.
O. G. Romig.
W. E. Shoop.
C. Y. Ulrich.

CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS, 1917.

Trustees of Conference Preachers' Aid. (Vote for two)
Thomas Garland.
C. A. Mutch.
J. M. Walters.

Clarence Mease.
General Court of Appeals.
(Vote for two)
H. J. Behney.
R. R. Butterwick.
J. A. Lyter.
J. A. Keiper.

## Publicity Committee.

(Vote for onc)
I. M. Hershey.
C. K. Longenecker.

## Conference Branch Foreign Missionary Committee. <br> (Vote for three)

G. M. Richtcr.
G. D. Batdorf.
I. M. Hershey.
R. S. Arndt.
J. O. Jones.

Ira D. Lowery.

The following report on Education was read at the first day evening session of the conference by J. T. Spangler, and, on motion, was adopted.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

These are days in which the educational interests need be emphasized as never before. Such a world-crisis as is now on calls for new and better adjustments to a radically changed political, and may we hope, moral and spiritual environment. The complete emergence of democracy out of the present world-conflagration will demand a new co-ordination in the manifold relations of life. And for this we need to take thought at once.

Is it not significant that in the midst of this contest of nations, presaging stupendous political and social changes, the scientist is announcing discoveries, which, when once fully received, will issue in the recasting of all scientific theory and, may chance, philosophic speculation?

In view of such facts only a confirmed novice can fail to see the fresh significance of education, and Christian education, if you please. No contention whatever should be necessary as to the supreme significance of the school of every grade. from the kindergarten to the university, and as to the supreme need of men and women trained thoroughly for life.

Of exceeding importance is the educational fcature of our Four-Year Program, a quadrennium of insistent agitation in relation to the needs of our church schools, the raising of two million dollars for endowment, an increase of five hundred trained men for the ministry, and an increase of two thousand students in our academies and colleges.

In this program Lebanon Valley college must have her rightful place. It must be made Fossible for the college to meet the needs of the Church in these eastern sections. We must now begin to do the things that will enaile the college to do the best in every way. And we dare undertake nothing short of the heroic. We need rise to such a high plane because the demand is upon us to energize the entire structure of thc college to meet present and future conditions.

The President of the United States has called upon his experts to prepare a program of such studies for high school students as will fit them for complete citizenship. Does not this suggest that we keep abreast of conditions? And so we may suggest the advisability of committing ourselves to such a scheme of religious education as will eminently fit us for complete pastoral leadership. This is necessary also in view of present untoward moral and spiritual conditions in and out of the Church, and the problems of both the city and country church.

In view of the above-mentioned conditions, be it
Resolved, Finst, That we address ourselves, in the most practical manner, to a solution of the pressing problems and the alleviation of the imperativc needs of Lebanon Valley college.

Second, That we relate oursclves to Bonebrake Seminary in the same manner and spirit.
Third, That we heartily approve the ceducational feature of the Four-Year Program, and that we assume our share in bringing it to a successful culmination.

Fourth, That we commend the principlc of Seminary Extension.
Fifth, That we heartily commend the conference Y. P. C. U. in providing a scholarship for the help of young people in our conference.

Sixth, That a religious education commission be named to co-ordinate the educational interests of the conference, and to provide a program of reading and study for the mental, moral, and spiritual cnrichment and equipment of our pastors and people with a view to the best service in the Church.
J. T. SPANGLER,

Committee.
Following announcements the second day morning session of the coinference adjourned with the benediction by G. D, Batdorf.

## SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSIONT.

The second day afternoon session of the conference convened at two o'clock. Devotional exercises were conducted by P. L. Haines.
W. E. Herr, War-Work Secretary in the Army and Navy, from Norfolk, Virginia, addressed the conference in the interest of that work.
J. F. Brown was excused from further attendance on the sessions of the conference to attend a funeral.

The conference branch of the Woman's Missionary Association and Otterbein Guild conducted a most delightful and helpful rally at this time.

The following report on the Home was presented by O. T. Ehrhart, and, on motion, was approved.

## THE HOME.

With the present call to arms of thousands of our young men, there has come a deeper apprectation of the meaning of home and home ties. We sometimes fail to value the true meaning of this sacred institution ordained by God himself, until we are called upon to break the ties that wind us together in such endearing relationship. May we continually approach the throne, in earnest supplication, asking our Heavenly liather to especially bless the homes that are placing their sons on the altar of our country and to give the young men special strength to remain true to the ideals of the home from which they have gone.

In this day of commercialism, worldly-pleasure, and free thought, the home like the church is being put to the severest kind of test. The arch enemy of men's souls is marshalling his host of evils, such as hasty marriage, divorce, drink habit, and social evil, against the home, knowing, that, if he can destroy the home, he has struck a master blow.

It is to be deeply regretted, that through the hurry and confusion of voices calling in every direction, the family altar is being broken down. What is more beautiful and ennobling than a family upon its knees before the throne asking God for daily guidance? Family worship tends to give the Bible its proper place in the home, and leads to reverence for parental as well as divine authority.

The early impressions of the home are the most lasting and, therefore, how needful it is that the home should be made just as attractive as possible, so as to counteract the seductive influences brought to bear so strongly upon the child of to-day. To this end good literature should especially be made a prominent feature of the home, for parents cannot be too careful in guarding the child in the kind of reading done by him.

Since the home occupies a position of such vast importance in God's divine economy, it is incumbent upon us that we do everything possible to foster the highest ideals and promote the best interests of the home, and in so doing we will also be helping the interests of the Church. May voice and pen be constantly used in upholding the sanctity of the home, and as per Disciplinary injunction, may due warning be given against the debasing influences that imperil the home life.
O. T. EHRHART,

Committee.
The following report on the Bible Cause was presented by M. A. Wagner, and, on motion, was approved.

## THE BIBLE.

The Bible is the only book that we can call The Book-the marvel of literature, the textbook of the world. Where is there anything like it in all the writing of men? It is the only book extant that can be called a book for all, or that is equally adapted to all. You put it into the child's mind and he grows old reading it, but it has new-charms to the last, and is unexhausted still.

The hoary head bends over it, tracing lines that have been traced over and over again, but every time he reads it he finds a treasure store; it has stood the test of ages, so wonderful and true; it tells him of a Savior's story so old yet ever new. Childish simplicity is taught the deepest truths while separate books or chapters of the volume task the ingenuity and exhaust the learning of deep-read scholars.

The peasant pores over it in his home and the nobleman in his palace, and it is a teacher for both alike. The thankful heart finds in it the language of prase and the penitent heart adopts its forms of contrition.

The Bible invites all the wisdom and genius of the world to-day to combine their energies to produce a textbook of morals and religion which shall go alike to every walk of life, with Kane to the Polar Seas, and Livingstone to African deserts; the Book that shall raise up Judsons for the heathen and Howards for jails and Wilberforces for the enslaved African.

A Book in which Newton, a Brewster, and a Mitchell shall devoutly confess they discover truths more glorious than their telescopes reveal, and which shall have power to change the savage to a man; that the professors of law tell the students to read for its style and the very infidel teaches his child for its sublime morality-a Book that does more than the wisdom of all codes to shape the legislation of nations and more than all science to overthrow the temples and the idols of pagan nations. The Book that a mother puts in her boy's knapsack when he goes forth to the scenes of battle, and to which she turns herself for consolation when she learns that he sleeps with the entombed dead. A Book that guides the footsteps of erring youth, and pillows the hope of the departing spirit.

The Book not to teach art, or science, or philosophy, not to please or entertain, but to educate the soul for heaven. The Book that answers, for every man the question: "Good Master, what shall I do that I may inherit eternal life?" Well may we say it is THE BOOK of all books, which has proven itself to be what it claims to be-the, Infallible Word of God.

Therefore, brethren, who have been called by the Great Author to carry forth his unsearchable Word to the needy world, preach it in all its power.

Until every, individual will confess,
'Tis true, 'tis true,
The Word of God is true.
It tells me I am forgiven,
It will do the same for you.
I cling to it forever, no matter what betides,
Fron Genesis to Revelation
I believe it all.

## M. A. WAGNER,

 Committee.Joseph Daugherty presented the following report on Temperance, which, after an address by Rev. E. V. Claypool, Ph.D., superintendent, Harrisburg district, of the Anti-Saloon League, was, on motion, approved.

## REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

To-day as never before safety and efficiency, in the physical and moral spheres of activity, are making increased demands for the complete overthrow of the liquor traffic.

The progress made in that direction in recent years is quite encouraging. In our investigation we discover that ten years ago in our country there were but three States dry, while to-day there are twenty-six States dry, and four others that have authorized a vote on Statewide prohivition before March 4, 1918.

We note too with great satisfaction, that the Sixty-fourth Congress before its final adjournment March 4, 1917, enacted prohibition laws for Porto Rico and Alaska, and by a two-to-one vote in both branches made the District of Columbia dry. It also passed the Anti-Liquor Advertising and so-called "Bone Dry" Acts, additional prohibition legislation for the Indians, provided $\$ 10,000$ extra for Anti-Alcohol Congress, and other important temperance legislation.

To-day, in the United States, 2,295 counties are dry, and only 655 wet, and more than half the population is living in dry territory.

This is indeed splendid, and while we rejoice in the progress made against this great evil, we regret also on the other hand that the present War Congress did not follow other countries in putting the whole business out as a war measure, and not only prohibit the manufacture of all intoxicants, but the sale of them as well.

The present act of Congress saves less than half the grain that would be saved if beer was included.

As it stands to-day in wet territory the results of drinking remain the same; for beer contains the same alcohol as whisky, and the drinking of it will make men drunk, will ruin their manhood, will starve their children, will wreck their homes, will destroy their health, and will unfit them for citizenship both earthly and heavenly.

The Scientific American says. "The most dangerous class of ruffians in our large cities are beer drinkers."

Closing out the saloon would eliminate much of the undesirable in society, and would make the work of the church easier and more effective.

The temperance organizations of our land are all to be commended for their good work, but the Anti-Saloon League now organized in every State in the Union has without question been the most effective. This is true, because it is the fighting instrument of the Federated Churches, and the church has done more to create sentiment and influence legislation than all other forces combined. The church is indeed "the salt of the earth."

The supreme struggle of the temperance forces will be on during the session of the next Congress, when every eifort will be made to secure the necessary two-thirds vote in both branches for a national constitutional annendment.

To this end the annual convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union will be held in Washington the first week of December next, and the National Convention of the Anti-Saloon League will be held, also in Washington, the following week, December 10-13. Every good citizen should do something to make himself felt in this supreme effort.

As a conference we have and shall continue to stand uncompromising in our attitude toward this great foe of God, the church, the home, and the nation.

Therefore, be it
Resolved, First, That as ministers we shall continue to present from our pulpits the injurious effects of the liquor business, and inform our people as to the progress made toward the destruction of this iniquity.

Second, That we shall endeavor to impress upon the minds of the children, in our homes and Sunday schools, the importance of total abstinence, and on the Temperance Sundays make an effort to enroll their names on the "Lincoln Legion," or some other temperance pledge card.

Third, That our churches shall be open to the representatives of the Anti-Saloon League, and thus aid in a practical way the great work of making our nation dry at the earliest possible moment.

Fourth, That without respect to party, we give our loyal support to candidates for the State and National legislative bodies, who have pledged themselves to supfort Local Option or Prohibition.

JOSEPH DAUGHERTY,
Committee.
The following report on Christian Stewardship, prepared by S. C. Snoke, was read by C. E. Boughter, and, after Doctor Hough had called attention to a booklet by Robert E. Speer on the subject, published by our House, was, on motion, adopted.

## CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP.

Your committee on Christian Stewardship would direct your attention to the report of committee on Four-Year Program adopted by the recent General Conference.

First, as to Aim.
Second, as to Goals.
Third, on Methods and Agencies.
"A well-directed annual campaign of information and inspiration on stewardship, missions, and education to be followed by a thorough every-member canvass."

The advances, during the last quadrennium, in recognition of a divine partnership with individuals as to their possessions has inspired the committee, and many others, with confidence that in the coming days large things may be attempted for God.

I am sure there are not a few, in our several churches, that are rendering a very faithful stewardship, and that God is blessing their deeds is apparent, at least in the strengthening of the home bases, but here 1 am led to quote from Professor Clippinger's article in the Religious Telescope of May 30 :
"With a vision of prophetic insight and faith, let us enlarge the place of our tent and let us stretch forth the curtains of our habitations, let us spare not; lengthen our cords and strengthen our stakes. For we shall spread awroad on the right hand and ,on the left; and out seed shall possess the nations and make the desolate cities to be inhabited.'

An examination of the reports on this subject presented to the annual conference since 1911, shows that the Scriptural claims for the consecration of the tithe and giving of thankofferings have been presented in the strongest terms. It would seem, therefore, that if these reports have been generally read and the recommendations faithfully carried out by the pastors and church officials, the people of our congregations should be well informed, yet there are many who apparently enjoy singing, "Dropping, dropping, hear the pennies fall," and are satisfied to hear the thud of falling coppers.

To accomplish the aims and reach the goals above referred to will require liberal, enthusiastic, heroic, consecrated giving. It will require the giving of thank-offerings and the bringing in of the whole tithe.

The following report on Foreign Missions was presented by G. D. Batdorf at the second day evening session, and was, on motion, adopted.

## REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

"We are sometimes surprised that men who call themselves servants of Christ appear to be wholly unmoved by the command of Christ to preach the gospel to all nations. The command is clear; it is repeated again and again; Christians do not question its authority; they do not doubt that Christ gave it; they do not doubt his right to give it; they simply disobey it. The command is not appropriated by them. It does not appear to have any binding force."

That it is so is due to the failure to realize that the "going" of the great commission is more than a physical and material "going." It is essentially a spiritual process which is wider by far and fuller than any material "going." Men do not necessarily go into all the world when they go as missionaries to China or Africa or Japan. It is possible to be as narrow in Africa as in one's home community. It is equally possible to circumnavigate the world without actually "going into the world" at all. Spiritual going is none the less real than physical going. It is more so.

Now, as never, the home church needs to feel the demand of the Spirit for a real spiritual "going into all the world" on the part of every pastor, superintendent, teacher, church officer, and believer.

Missionary zeal is dependent upon two things-knowledge of the Holy Spirit and knowledge of the need; and the first knowledge is wy far the more important. True, one cannot possibly desire the salvation of the tribes of Central Africa if he knows nothing of their existence. In order to work it is necessary to know, but knowledge without a burning desire to help will avail nothing. While it is true that ignorance of the need is a cause for the prevailing dearth of real missionary zeal, the real cause lies deeper. It is due to man's restraint of the Spirit of Christ. Where this is true, there is need not merely for information, but for spiritual renewal. Missionary zeal based on mere information is wildly enthusiastic to-day, cold and dormant tonorrow. To maintain an even, steady growth of missionary zeal is the problem of the Church in the solving of which we must get back to the real knowledge of the Holy Spirit.

Nothing less will approach a solution of the present critical problems in all our mission fields. Multiplied demands upon diminished forces, growing out of present world conditions, such as an abnormal money market, which tends to cripple missionary progress and endanger the health and safety of our missionaries by greatly reducing the purchasing power of their salaries, will soon spell disaster unless the Church, fired by the Spirit of Christ, rises to the mighty challenge of to-day. Field forces greatly reduced, missionaries overworked, and long past due and unable to get home, constitute an appeal the import of which the Spirit of Christ alone can adequately burn into our hearts.

The problems facing our heroic workers call for a more perfect co-ordination of the forces, both at home and on the field, and the establishment and maintenance on the various fields of forces carefully chosen with a view to ability, adaptability to United Brethren work, and deep consecration so as to insure a well-balanced, smooth-working organization for steady progress.

Differences of opinion among missionaries concerning the application of missionary principles will always exist. However, efficiency demands that they be held to a minimum; their consequences must not be deliberately invited by bringing together on the field those trained under widely different schools of missionary principles. That force which will work most smoothly and effectively consists of those who have had the same or similar church affiliations and training.

In order, therefore, to make our missionary forces on the field most effective, they must be recruited from United Brethren homes, reared in United Brethren churches, converted at United Brethren altars, and trained in United Brethren institutions. Not because those who lave been otherwise reared and trained are less capable or less consecrated but simply that the very difference of rearing and training makes them less able or less willing to fit into work conducted by our Church.

Our own homes and schools are rich in ample resources of lives. We must discover and conserve them. To draft from the outside is a confession of failure on our part which we should not longer be willing to tolerate.

In these days of many very worthy appeals which grip our hearts, we, who owe first allegiance to the King of kings, nust more than ever hold above them all the first and greatest appeal, "Go ye into all the world." Then, in her spiritual "going," born of a knowledge of
the Holy Ghost and of the great need, the united church, when in the travail of her soul cries, "Whom shall I send and who will go for me?" will' hear the eager, glorious response from the youth of our United Brethren homes and institutions, "IIere am 1, send me," the hearing of which will so burn into our hearts the import of the appeal and the glory of the task that there will not be wanting the resources adequate to accomplisli the physical "going" of these consecrated lives to be our representatives in the evangelization of our five millions.

Keenly conscious of our failings in this great task and with a deep sense of thanksgiving to our Heavenly Father for the health and safety of our missionaries and missionary bishop in these times of great peril and for unmistakable evidences of advancement in all our fields, we humbly

Resolve, First, That we will seek diligently to deepen the spiritual life of the Church, through which the Holy Spirit interprets the real meaning of our "going," and assures material equipment for the labor of our consecrated missionaries, and a Christlike dispensation of our wealth.

Second, That, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we will seek to prevent any temporary or permanent injury to the work by making such sacrifices as may be necessary

Third, That we will do our utmost to seek out and persuade, with all fervency, those in our homes and churches to set apart their lives to supply the present needs.

Fourth, That we express our sanguine hope, and promise our best effort, that the financial goals for our foreign missionary work, as set forth by the General Conference, namely, $\$ 175,000$ for current work, $\$ 100,000$ for educational facilities, and $\$ 75,000$ for new churches, residences, and hospitals annually, be reached.

Fifth, That we renew our pledge of co-partnership with our workers, missionary bishop, mission board, executive committee, and general secretary.

Sixth, That in these times of unusual stress and many worthy appeals we will not allow the first and greatest appeal to suffer or go unheeded.

Seventh, That we, by set times of special prayer, sermons, missionary days, systematic mission study, etc., keep our membership informed as to the progress of the world's evangelization.

Faithfully submitted,
GEO. M. RICHTER
I. MOYER HERSHEY,
G. D. BATDORF,

Committee.
Addresses were delivered as follows: On "Conference Resources and Opportunities," by H. E. Miller, and on "The Possibilities of the Rural Church," by R. R. Butterwick.

After announcements, the second day afternoon session of the conference adjourned with the benediction by S. F. Daugherty.

## THIRD DAY-MORNING SESSION.

The third day morning session of the conference convened in the chapel of Lebanon Valley college at 8:45 o'clock for devotions and fellowship. The business of the conference opened at 9:30 o'clock in the First Church of the United Brethren in Christ.

The minutes of the second day sessions of the conference were read and approved.

The following resolutions were approved by motion:
The following resolution relative to the Conference Church Extension and Missionary Society was passed:

Resolved, That the Conference Church Extension and Missionary Society of the East Pcmenslvania conference of the United Brethren in Christ, is hereby authorized and empowered to make such loans during the year as it may deem necessary.

Signed:

The following resolution relative to pastors' reports was passed:
Resolved, That a minimum salary of seven hundred dollars ( $\$ 700$ ) and home be continued in force for the following conference year, under the same conditions as those adopted in last year's session of conference. (See conference Minutes, 1911, page 24.)

## The following resolution relative to pastors' reports was passed.

Resolved, That all pastors are ordered to forward to the statistical secretaries, at least two weeks before next annual conference, that part of their annual report pertaining to organizations, membership, and literature.

The recording secretary was, on motion, empowered to edit and arrange the Minutes.

The pastor of Reading Zion Church was appointed to bear the greetings of the conference to the next meeting of the East Pennsylvania branch of the Woman's Missionary Association.

The committee on Mt. Gretna Dormitory reported its desire to be relieved of the duties with which it was charged, and requested that another committee be appointed. The request was granted and the following committee was appointed: G. D. Batdorf, S. C. Enck, I. H. Albright.

The following were appointed a board of tellers to count the vote of the conference for its various officers and commissions, namely, the Nominating committee and G. W. Hallman.

The vote of the conference for its various officers and members of its boards and commissions restilted as follows:

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

C. F Recording Secretary.
C. E. Boughter.

Assistant Recording Secretary.
P. H. Balsbaugh.

## Statistical Secretary.

E. A. G. Bossler.
R. R. Butterwick.

Conference Sunday-School Board.
D. D. Buddinger.
M. S. Hendricks.
H. S. Kiefer.
D. E. Long.
I. N. Seldomridge.

Conference Historical Secretary.
I. H. Albright.

Conference Treasurer.
J. R. Engle.

Managers of Conference Missionary and Church Extension Society.
S. C. Enck.
i. H. Jones.
I. Moyer Hershey.
C. D. Batdorf. (For two years)

Professor of Russel Biblical Chair. Thomas Garland.

Trustees for Lebanon Valley College.
G. F. Breinig.
I. M. Hershey.

Jonas Stehman.
Trustees of Russel Biblical Fund.
B. M. Brenneman.
D. D. Buddinger.

Ira W. Funk.
S. G. Kauffman.
O. G. Romig.

Trustees of Anti-Saloon League.
G. D. Batdorf.

Joseph Daugherty.
S. C. Enckference Publication Board.
S. C. Enck.
I. N. Seldomridge.
A. K. Wier.
T. R. Engle.
S. E. Rupp.
A. S. Lehman.

Conference Branch Home Missionary
H. E. Niller.
S. L. Rhoads.
C. E. Rettew.
S. Editor of Conference Herald.
S. E. Rupp.

Conference Finance Commission
A. S. Kreider.
I. B. Haak.

Robert Enders.
J. R. Engle.
J. G. Stehman.
A. K. Wier.

Educational Board.
R. R. Butterwick.
A. E. Shroyer.

Christian Stewardship Committee.
M. H. Miller.
S. R. Grayibill.
O. G. Romig.

Trustees of Conference Preachers' Aid. Thomas Garland.
C. A. Mutch.

Publicity Committee.
I. M. Hershey.

General Court of Appeals.
R. R. Butterwick.
J. A. Lyter.

Conference Branch Foreign Missionary
G. M. Richter.
G. D. Batdorf.
I. M. Hershey.

The conference was addressed by the following:
J. E. Fout, D.D., General Manager, Bonebrake Theological Seminary.
O. E. Williams, Ph.D., representing the General Commission on Evangelism.
S. S. Hough, D.D., General Foreign Missionary Secretary.

Following announcements, the third day morning session of the conference adjourned with the benediction by O. E. Williams.

## THIRD DAY-AFTERNOON SESSION.

The third day afternoon session of the conference convened at 1:30 b'clock. Devotional exercises were conducted by R. S. Arndt.

Rev. J. S. McGaw, D.D., secretary of the National Reform Association, addressed the conference in reference to the World's Christian Citizenship conference, to meet at Pittsburgh, Pa., July 2-9, 1918. In connection with the above, the following resolution was adopted, and the committee on Nominations was instructed to provide nominees for delegates to the same.

Whereas, A call has been issued by proper authority for the Third World's Christian Citizenship conference to be held in Pittsburgh, Pa., U. S. A., July 2-9, 1918, under the general direction of the National Reform Association and the citizens of Pittsburgh, represented by the Commercial Club.

Whereas, This conference will attract the attention and thoughtful consideration of active factors in the world's progress and,

Whereas, This organization, the East Pennsylvania annual conference, is ever ready to serve in any cause looking to the betterment of mankind, especially in this hour of world crisis, therefore, be it

Resolved, That this organization indorse the proposed conference and hereby commits itself to the election of a delegate or delegates, as per the call submitted by the National Reform Association.
S. E. Rupp and H. N. Nissley were appointed delegates to the above conference.

On motion, it was ordered that any deficit in the cost of printing and distributing the conference Minutes be paid from the contingent fund.

The compensation of the secretaries and the Publicity committee was fixed as follows: J. A. Lyter, $\$ 50$; C. E. Boughter, $\$ 30$; E. A. G. Bossler, $\$ 20$; R. R. Butterwick, $\$ 15$; I. M. Hershey, $\$ 15$; and the expenses of each.

On motion, the conference treasurer was authorized and empowered to borrow such amounts of money as may be necessary in the transaction of the conference business.

The compensation of the treasurer was fixed at $\$ 200$.
Myerstown was selected as the place of meeting for the next session of the conference.

The following report on Publishing Interests was presented by A. L. Haeseler. After an eloquent address by C. I. B. Brane, the report was, on motion, adopted.

## REPORT ON PUBLISHING INTERESTS.

It is as natural for people to seek knowledge as it is for birds to gather crumbs that are scattered over the ground. From all sources people endeavor to feed this hunger for knowledge. May we not strive to give those under our care the best of Christian literature, such as our denominational periodicals? This is a great age for reading. Therefore it is up to our Christian forces to provide the proper religious literature for this age. The enemies of Christ are not "slack," but are making great progress in flooding the market with books, magazines, and freely distributed literature, that confuse the hearts and minds of the reading public concerning the Christian religion and the highest form of Christian character.

The mighty influence of our press lies in the output of our high class and spiritual periodicals. Thus in a safe and sane way, in the true light of the Holy Word of God, our denominational literature, and other literature handled by our Publishing House, present the enormous problems pertaining to the religious welfare of the nation, the church, the home, and the individual, in such a way that the thousands of minds are properly informed, hearts inspired and wills are swayed for truth, righteousness, the betterment of our fellow men and the advancement of God's kingdom upon the earth. With these facts before us, let it be

Resolved, First, That we highly appreciate our efficient Publishing Interests and respect them as one of the greatest assets of our denomination.

Second, That we as pastors and delegates show our utmost confidence in, and appreciation of, the efficient management of the institution under the leadership of our beloved publishing agent, Dr. W. R. Funk, and the editors of our various periodicals, by making a special effort this conference year to get every Sunday school in the conference to use United Brethren literature; to place the Religious Telescope in every United Brethren home, and that this conference accept that part of the Four-Year Program relating to our pro rata share of Religious Telescope subscriptions, and that our ratio be printed in the conference Minutes; to recommend the Watchword to the members of all our Christian Endeavor societies; to greatly increase the Woman's Evangel subscriptions, so as to spread missionary information and enthusiasm among our people, and to highly recommend our Conference Herald as the conference pafer which is greatly needed in every home.

Third, That we also urge our people to send their religious books, magazines, and othef feligious literature through the proper postal authorities to the soldier boys at the Front or inf the training camps, so that their lives may be enriched and influenced for God, and many souls saved.
A. L. HAESELER,

Committee.

## RATIO OF RELIGIOUS TELESCOPES FOR THE SEVERAL CHARGES OF CONFERENCE.

East Pennsylvania Telescope Quotas.
*Indicates charges which, in 1916, were up to the 1917 quota.
$\dagger$ Indicates charges which, in 1916, were up to the 1918 quota.
No.
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Tels.
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Conference Proceedings, 1917.

| No. | Charge | Quota <br> 1917 | Quota 1918 | $\begin{gathered} \text { Members } \\ 1916 \end{gathered}$ | $\underset{1916}{\text { Tels. }}$ |
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| 70 | Philadelphia, Second | ${ }^{35}$ | 13 | 1386 | 10 |
| 71 | Philadelphia, Third. | $4^{*}$ | $5 \dagger$ | 48 | 6 |
| 72 | Pinegrove | 16 | 20 | 177 | 6 |
| 73 | Pottstown | 8 | 10 | 92 | 4 |
| 74 | Reading, Zion | 24 | 29 | 260 | 7 |
| 75 | Reading, Trinity. | 17 | 21 | 188 | 9 |
| 76 | Reading, Salem. | 34 | 41 | 371 | 20 |
| 77 | Royalton | 15 | 19 | 170 | 3 |
| 78 | Stoverdale | 8 | 10 | 91 | 3 |
| 79 | Schuylkill Haven. | 20 | 25 | 223 | 14 |
| 80 | Shamokin, First. | 58 | 71 | 638 | 48 |
| 81 | Shamokin circuit | 43 | 53 | 478 | 7 |
| 82 | Steelton | 61 | 75 | 674 | 54 |
| 83 | Sunbury | 26 | 32 | 285 | 9 |
| 84 | Tower City | 16 | 20 | 178 | 6 |
| 85 | Tremont | 12* | 15 | 135 | 12 |
| 86 | Union | 19 | 24 | 216 |  |
| 87 | Valley View | 39 | 47 | 424 | 5 |
| 88 | West Willow-Refton. | $14^{*}$ | $17 \dagger$ | 155 | 21 |
| 89 | Williamstown | 17 | 21 | 185 | , |
|  |  | 2,297 | 2,790 | 25,305 | 1,071 |

The following report of the Board of Publication, presented by I. N. Seldomridge, was, on motion, approved after addresses by I. N. Seldomridge, S. C. Enck, S. E. Rupp, G. D. Batdorf, I. H. Albright, G. W. P. Saul, G. M. Richter, P. H. Balsbaugh, H. M. Miller, Joseph Daugherty, C. Y. Ulrich. A motion to fix the subscription price of the Conference Herald at thirtyfive cents per year failed to pass.

## REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE PUBLICATION BOARD.

The number of names now on the mailing list of the Conference Herald...... 2,346
Amount of money received for subscriptions. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\$ 5$ 57.00
Decrease under last year
Cost of printing about $\$ 650$, or $\$ 75$ more than the receipts.
The largest number of subscriptions-153-was sent in by the Shamokin Brotherhood of the Shamokin church, Rev. H. J. Behney, pastor. The next largest is Columbia, Pa., Rev. P. H. Balshaugh, pastor, with a total of 78 .

It is to be regretted that the subscription list is not larger, owing to the greatly increased cost of printing and material.

Respectfully submitted,
I. N. SELDOMRIDGE,

Secretary.
The following report on Sunday Schools was presented by H. S. Kiefer, and, on motion, was approved.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We cannot overestimate the necessity of teaching every rising generation to honor and know the Bible.

The modern Sunday school with its splendid facilities, its consecrated and trained teachers, its wonderful opportunities, is more and more recognized as the greatest teaching force of the Word of God in all the departments of the Church. It is therefore at the foundation of our Church life. It begins with the cradle roll and deals with every period of the individual life. It is essential therefore to the building un of a strong and influential congregation in a community, by winning souls to Christ, building them up in Christ, and traning them for more efficient service.

We hail with delight the progress of this department of the Church during recent years and are gratified to know that the Church of the United Brethren in Christ is among the most aggressive in the work; our denomination being among the first to accept and adopt the new and more aggressive methods. leading to better organization, better trained teachers, and better equipment in the way of buildings, etc., and naturally to larger and more gratifying results.

In view of the fact that out of a population of over $4,725,000$ in the State of Pennsylvania of Sunday-school age only a little more than $2,847,000$ are in our Sunday schools, the growing neglect on the part of parents to read and teach the Bible in the home, the failure to practice family religion, the tendency of our youth to read all other literature save the Bible, the teaching of the Word of God devolves largely upon this department of the Church and inasmuch as the saving and education of the young in religion are of highest importance, we readily discover the need of greater efficiency along all lines of Sunday-school work. Therefore, in view of the growing need of still better schools, be it

Resolved, First, That we are in hearty accord with the advanced standard adopted by our last General Conference and will do all we can to bring our schools to a "Front Line" basis.

Second, That we as pastors and laymen urge the organizing of Teacher-Training Classes in every school of the conference.

Third, That we recognize the value of departmental work in our schools, and would urge all our schools to adopt the Graded Lesson System so far as practical.

Fourth, That we supply our schools with our own literature, believing it the best suited to our needs.

Fifth, That we observe at least one Decision Day a year when the claims of Christ as a personal Savior shall be properly set before the scholar.

Sixth, That we annually observe Children's Day, and send the offering obtained then to the general Sunday-school board.

Seventh, That we pledge to Dr. C. W. Brewbaker, our general secretary of the Sundayschool board, our hearty co-operation in his work.

Addresses were delivered as follows: On "The Four-Year Program," by J. S. Kendall, D.D., General Secretary of the Board of Administration, and on "How to Realize Its Objectives," by S. E. Rupp.

Following the announcements the third day afternoon session of the conference adjourned with the benediction by S. S. Rhoads.

## FOURTH DAY-MORNING SESSION.

The fourth day morning session of the conference convened at nine $o^{\circ}$ clock. Derotional exercises were conducted by C. A. Mutch.

The minutes of the third day sessions of the conference were read and approved.

The following offerings were taken: For the sexton, $\$ 9.50$; for the page, \$7.74.

The following bills were ordered paid: For printing ballots, $\$ 6.00$; for printing programs, $\$ 13.60$; for postage, etc., to S. F. Daugherty, $\$ 1.20$.

A letter to the conference from W. E. Schell, D.D., General Secretary of Education, was read.

In the matter of Matter Church on Lykens Valley circuit, the board of trustees appointed at the last session of the conference to sell the building did not act, and were, on motion, relieved, and the following were constituted a board of trustees to sell said building; the conference superintendent and the executive committee of the Conference Missionary and Church Extension Society.

The Conference Missionary and Church Extension Society was authorized to purchase an adding machine at a cost of about sixty dollars for use of the conference and conference treasurer, also a ledger for the conference treasurer.

The following resolution was, on motion, passed:
CLEONA CHURCH NOTE.
Resolved, That the conference treasurer be and is hereby authorized to return the Cleona note of Five Hundred Dollars ( $\$ 500$ ) on condition that the trustees of the said church pay into the treasury the sum of One Hundred Dollars ( $\$ 100$ ).

The election of the following trustees of Lebanon Valley college was, on motion, ratified:

Trustees at Large-H. S. Immel, Warren A. Thomas, A. J. Cochran, Jack Straub, H. E. Steinmetz.

Alumni Trustee-F. B. Plummer.
The Conference Missionary and Church Extension Society recommended the following appropriations, which were, on motion, approved.

## APPROPRIATIONS TO CONFERENCE MISSIONS.



The following report on Home Missions was presented by C. Mease, and on motion, was approved.

## HOME MISSIONS

In this fair land and nation of more than $100,000.000$ souls, the large majority give no evidence of real love for Christ and the good things of his glorious and eternal kingdom. There are sections of the country that have been but slightly touched with the gospel message, as, for instance, in the far west and southwest; and even where communities have been well churched there has been such a growth in commercialistic and materialistic thought and practice, both within and without the church, that the whole country is a field ripe for real, genuine home missionary effort. Furthermore, the various cantonments of the country create a new situation making its spiritual demands upon the churches.

Be it therefore
Resolved, First, That we recognize the tremendous debt we owe to the many millions of unsaved and unchurched within our national borders.

Second. That we lend ourselves with consecration and zeal to the carrying forward of the home missionary program of our Home Missionary Society.

Third. That we preach more gospel and less churchanity and human-spun theories
Fourth, That we continue the nolicy of vigornuslv forwarding the work of our Conference Missionary and Church Extension Society, in order that we may more rapidly cnter the many open doors within the hounds of our own conference.

Fifth. That we endeavor to keer in touch with our soldier boys in the various cantonments and on the battle field. and that we will not forget to pray for them and for our country continually in this hour of grave crisis.

Sixth, That we assure our new home missionary secretary. Dr. P. M. Camn, of our hearty co-operation.

Respectfully submitted
COMMITTEE.
The following report on Church Erection was presented by C. Y. Ulrich, and, on motion, was approved.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHURCH ERECTION

In this practical age, which demands tangible equipment for visible results in all phases of temporal activity, it is important that the church engaged in the extension of the kingdom of Jesus Christ in the hearts of men and women should. aside from her moral and spiritual forces, be furnished with all the accessories materially which make her an institution of powerful influence and permanent worth.

The Church Erection Society of our denomination has proved to he an important factor in helping provide the material means for the erection of buildings for our religious societies.

Experience having taught that the Holy Spirit will work more effectivelv upon the mind of man as he deliherates 1 pon exercises with a view to system and vision, we rejnice to know of the definite plans, the efficient program which is characterizing the church extension work.

Also should we be pleased with the tendency of our denomination to erect substantial buildings, advantageously located, thus providing a permanency in our work and a conservation of our forces.

The possibility of the work of the Church Extension Society is, however, limited; it must depend for its life upon our established denominatinnal resources. Considering the lack of funds, we are surrised at the wonderful work accomnlished.

Our Church Erection Society will he practically what we make it. therefore, be it
Resolved, First, That we renew our lovalty to the general Church Erection Society, and that we co-operate with its officials in extending its work.

Second, That the pastors of this conference he interested to acquaint themselves more with the work of the society, and endeavor to extend the interest in every possible way to their people.

Third, That all outstanding loans and pledges be paid when due, and thus help the society in the furtherance of its work.

Fourth. That we enthusiastically express our appreciation of our general secretary, Dr. A. C. Siddall, and pledge him our continued co-operation and support.

CHAS. Y. ULRTCH,
Committee.
The treasurer of the conference publication board reported as follows, which was, on motion, approved.

# REPORT OF TREASURER OF CONFERENCE PUBLICATION BOARD. 

 DR.| Sept. 29 | To cash balance | \$ 33.83 |
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| Oct. 16 | To cash suhscriptions, Sept. | 22.75 |
| Nov. 3 | To cash subscriptions, Oct. | 27.50 |
| $\text { Dec. } 7$ | To cash subscriptions, Nov. | 29.50 |
| Tan. 3 | To cash suhscriptions, Dec. | S6.00 |
| Feb. 1 | To cash subscriptions, Tan. | 7. $\mathrm{S}^{0}$ |
| Mar. 2 | To cash suhscriptions, Feh. | 107.25 |
| Apr. 10 | To cash suhscriptions, Mar. | 40.50 |
| May 2 | To cash subscriptions, April | 4925 |
| Tune 2 | To cash subscriptions, May | 48.2 5 |
| July 9 | To cash subscriptions, Tune | 21.75 |
| Aug. 8 | To cash subscriptions, July | 52.00 |
| Sept. 10 | To cash subscriptions, Aug. | 12.75 |

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| Oct. 16 | By cash, | \$ 3.60 |
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| Oct. 21 | By cash, Central Printing \& Publishing Co | 47.90 |
| Nov. 18 | By cash, Central Printing \& Publishing Co | 59.50 |
| Dec. 2 | By cash, J. A. Lyter, express and postage | 3.92 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } 16 \\ & 1917 . \end{aligned}$ | By cash, Central Printing \& Publishing Co | 58.99 |
| Mar. 24 | By cash, Central Printing \& Publishing Co | 182.16 |
| May 1 | By cash, Central Printing \& Publishing Co. | 60.83 |
| June 5 | By cash, Central Printing \& Publishing Co. | 61.80 |
| Sept. 11 | By cash, Central Printing \& Publishing Co | 105.74 |
| Sept. 11 | By cash, J . R.. Engle, board expenses By | 8.50 17.89 |

Oct. 4 To cash balance.
J. R. Engle, the conference treasurer, reported as follows, which was, on motion, approved:

The following is the report of the conferere treasurer:
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1916. 2 To cash, balance .................................................. . . . . . . . $\$ 5,149.43$
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1917.

$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Mar. } 10 \text { To cash, Philadelphia Third, special ................................... } & 1,075.00 \\ \text { Apr. } 20 \text { To cash, Widow Snvder fund } \\ 20.00\end{array}$

May 20 To cash, Allentown, Sixth Street, on principal .................... $\quad{ }_{20} 00.00$
Tune 20 To cash, Manheim, on principal ............................... . . . . . 250.00
June 20 To cash, ads in Minutes and Herald................................ 98.80
Sept. 20 To cash, Lehanon West, loan paid .............................. . . 50.00
Sept. 29 To cash, Lebanon Hebron, on principal ....................... . . . 300.00
Sept. 29 To cash, Philadelphia Third, special ............................. $1,012.63$

Oct. 1 To cash, Compensation Insurance, to date ...................... 142.00
Oct. 1 To cash, loan, Valley Trust Co., mortgage .................... 14,000.00
Oct. 3 To cash, Philadelphia First appropriation refunderl .......... . 175.00
Oct. 3 To cash, conference collections . ................................. 15 . 175.93
Oct. $3_{3}$ To cash, General Conference, collections. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $17,000.00$

Oct. 3 To cash, Lebanon Valley college, collections. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $1,328.04$
Oct. 3 To cash, Quincy Orphanage, collections ......................... $2,841.06$
Oct. 3 To cash, specials during year
2,875.65

## CR.

1916. 

Oct. 2 By cash, Preachers' Aid appropriation
ct. ${ }^{2}$
Mar. 3 By cash, Rev. A. Lehman . . .......................................... . . 307.47

Mar. 5 By cash, E. E. Hollenback, in full.............................. . . . . . . 5 . 925.00
Apr. 21 By cash, H. M. Hartz, compensation insurance ................ . . . . . . . . 126.34

Oct. 1 By cash, loans returned during year ...................... . . . . $7,700.00$
Oct. 1 By cash, mortgage paid . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 000
Oct. 1 By cash, appropriations . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 3 3, 1818.74
Oct. 1 By cash, superintendent's salary . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $2,500.00$
Oct. 3 By cash, contingent fund . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 814.97

Oct. 3 By cash, General Conference budget . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 17,000.00
Oct. 3 By cash, Lehanon Valley college . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1, 1, 328.04
Oct. 3 By cash. Quincy Orphanage . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $2,841.06$
Oct. 3 By cash, specials during year . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2,875.65
Oct. 3 By cash, minimum salary . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 487.65

Oct. 5 To cash balance

## $\$ 2,000.00$

82.00
\$82,276.17

## Conference Proceedings, 1917 .

## DR.

| Oct. | 5 | To cash, | Rev. M. B. Groff |  | 80.00 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Oct. | 5 | To cash. | Rev. H. A. Smith |  | 90.00 |
| Oct. | 5 | To cash, | Rev. H. H. Fertig |  | 70.00 |
| Oct. | 5 | To cash, | Rev. B. M. Brenne |  | 38.65 |
| Oct. | 5 | To cash, | Rev. William Beach |  | 100.00 |
| Oct. | 5 | To cash, | Rev. J. C. Deitzler |  | 109.00 |

## PREACHERS' AID.

DR.

$\$ 2,701.50$
$\$ 2,000.00$
25.00
656.50
20.00

## CR.

Oct. 2 By cash, balance

## CR.

1916. 30 By cash, appropriation


1916 CONTINGENT FUND.

1916. DR.

| Sept. 30 | To cash, balance sh | \$314.53 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Oct. 2 | To cash, recording secretary's expenses | 111.88 |
| Oct. 2 | To cash, statistical secretary's expenses | 338.30 |
| Oct. 2 | To cash. press committee | 35.55 |
| Not. | To cash, conference treasurer | 158.50 |
| Nov. 9 | To cash, ballots and express | 46.83 |
| $\mathrm{Dec.}_{1917}{ }^{2}$ | To cash, Central Printing Co., Minutes | 359.27 |
| Oct. 3 | To cash, printing and postage for year | 21.76 |
| Oct. 3 | To cash, board expenses during year | 42.88 |
| Oct. 3 | To cash, balance | 519.30 |

## Oct. 3 By cash, balance <br> GENERAL CONFERENCE BUDGET. CR.

## 1916

| Oct. 20 | By cash, collections | \$100.00 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Nov. 20 | By cash, collections | 702.42 |
| Dec. 20 | By cash, collections | 895.71 |

CR.

| 1917 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jan. 20 | By casl, collections | \$ 524.71 |
| Feb. 20 | By cash, collections | 955.73 |
| Mar. 20 | By cash, collections | 1,519.22 |
| Apr. 20 | By cash, collections | 695.49 |
| May 20 | By cash, collections | 979.49 |
| Tune 20 | By cash, collections | 1,378.59 |
| July 20 | By cash, collections | 1,337.83 |
| Aug. 20 | By cash, collections | 1,076.93 |
| Sept. 20 | By cash, collections | 2,036.83 |
| Oct. 3 | By cash, collections | 4,797.05 |

$\$ 17,000.00$


HOME MISSIONS SPECIAL.
DR.
Oct. 3 To cash, Schuylkill Haven .....................................................

Oct. 4 By cash, L. O. Miller . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\$ 1.05$
FOREIGN MISSIONS SPECIAL.
DR.
$\$ 10.00$

| Mar. 20 | To cash, Schuylkill Haven | \$ 10.00 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| May 20 | To cash, Elizabethtown | 10.00 |
| Sept. 20 | To cash, Philadelphia Second | 50.00 |
| Sept. 29 | To cash, J. G. Steiner |  |
| Oct. 3 | To cash, Schuylkill Haven | 3.00 |
| Oct. 3 | To cash, Lancaster Covenant | 200.00 |

$\$ 278.00$
CR.

| Mar. 27 | By cash, L. O. Miller | \$ 10. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| June 1 | By cash, L. O. Miller | +10.00 |
| Sept. 25 | By cash, L. O. Miller | 50.0 |

MRS. J. HAL SMITH FUND.
DR.

| $\begin{gathered} 1916 . \\ \text { Oct. } 20 \\ 1917 . \\ \text { Feb. } 20 \end{gathered}$ | To cash, Harrisburg Derry Street To cash, Harrisburg Derry Street | $\$ 25.00$ 25.00 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1916 |  |  |
| Nov. 4 | By cash, Mrs. J. Hal Smith | \$25.00 |
| Mar. 3 | By cash, L. O. Miller | 25.00 |

$\$ 278.00$

Oct. 20 To cash, Harrisburg Derry Street 25.00

## MISS ODLE SUPPORT. <br> DR.

| Aug 20 DR. $\$ 05000$ |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Sept. 20 | To cash. Harrisburg Derry Street |  | 150.00 | \$500.00 |
|  |  | CR. |  |  |
| Aug. 24 | By cash, L. O. Miller |  | \$350.00 |  |
| Sept. 25 | By cash, L. O. Miller |  | 150.00 |  |

## MISS EMMA J. NYE SUPPORT. DR.

| $\text { Oct. } 20$ | To cash, Reading Salem | \$350.00 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| July 20 | To cash, Reading Salem | 150.00 |
| Sept. 20 | To cash, Reading Salem | 200.00 |

$\$ 700.00$

## CR.

| $\begin{gathered} 1916 . \\ \text { Nov. } \\ 1917 . \end{gathered}$ | By cash, L. O. Miller | 0.00 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| July 30 | By cash, L. O. Miller | 150.00 |
| Sept. 25 | By cash, L. O. Miller | 200.00 |

REV. CLIFFORD A. FUNK SUPPORT. DR.

| Nov. 20 1917. | To cash, Halifax | \$75.00 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jan. 20 | To cash, Philadelphia First | 15.75 |
| Jan. 20 | To cash, Halifax | 30.00 |
| Mar. 20 | To cash, Philadelphia First | 11.25 |
| May 20 | To cash, Philadelphia First | 7.50 |
| May 20 | To cash, Halifax | 25.50 |
| Tune 20 | To cash, Philadelphia First | 7.75 |
| July 20 | To cash, Halifax | 21.50 |
| Sept. 20 | To cash, Philadelphia First | 13.75 |
| Oct. 3 |  | 18.00 |
| Oct. 3 | To cash, Philadelphia First | 3.00 |



## MISS MATILDA WEBER SUPPORT.

|  |  | DR. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jan. 20 | To cash, Lebanon Trinity | \$125.00 |
| Mar. 20 | To cash, Lebanon Trinity | 102.90 |
| June 20 | To cash, Lebanon Trinity | 125.00 |
| Sept. 29 | To cash. Lebanon Trinity | 125.00 |

CR.


## DR.

|  |  | CR. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| July 10 | By cash. L. O. Miller | 100.00 |
| Sept. 25 | By cash, L. O. Miller | 200.00 |
| Oct. 4 | By cash, L. O. Miller | 87.75 |

## REV. A. LEHMAN FUND. <br> DR.

| $1916 .$ |  | 232.00 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dec. 20 | To cash, collections | 35.47 |
| ${ }_{\text {Oct. }} 1917.3$ | h, collection | 40.00 |

$\$ 307.47$
CR.
1916.

| Sept. 29 | By cash, Rev. A. Lehman | \$140.00 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Nov. 21 | By cash, Rev. A. Lehman | 92.00 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1917 . \\ & \text { Mar. } \end{aligned}$ | By cash, Rev. A. Lehman | 50.47 |
| Oct. 4 | By cash, Mrs. A. Lehman | 25.00 |

$\$ 307.47$
CONFERENCE MISSIONARY AND CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY. CR.
1916.

| Sept. 30 | By cash, balance | \$7,079.39 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Oct. 12 | By cash, balance, Harrisburg lot | 2,750.00 |
| Oct. 20 | By cash, collections, 1916 account | 40.00 |
| Oct. 20 1917. | By cash, loans | 1,200.00 |
| Jan. 4 | By cash, loan | 1,000.00 |
| Feb. 12 | By cash, interest, Lebanon Hebron | 26.00 |
| Mar. 8 | By cash, loan, Valley Trust Co. | 7.000 .00 |
| Mar. 10 | By cash, Philadelphia Third, special | 1,075.00 |
| Apr. 26 | By cash, loans | 2,300.00 |
| May 20 | By cash, interest, Allentown Sixth Street | 75.00 |
| May 20 | By cash, Allentown Sixth, on principal ... | 200.00 |
| June 20 | By cash, Manheim. on principal | 250.00 |
| June 20 | By cash, ads in Minutes and Herald. | 98.80 |
| Sept. 20 | By cash, Lebanon West, loan returned | 50.00 |
| Sept. 29 | By cash, Lebanon Hebron, on principa | 300.00 |
| Sept. 29 | By cash, Philadelphia Third, special | 1,012.63 |
| Oct. 1 | By cash, Valley Trust Co., mortgage | 14,000.00 |
| Oct. 3 | By cash, Philadelphia First, appropriation | 175.00 |
| Oct. 3 | By cash, conference collections | 15,775.93 |
| Oct. 3 <br> Oct. 3 | By cash, Philadelphia Second, collections By cash, Philadelphia Third, collections | $\begin{aligned} & 3,087.24 \\ & 1.515 .42 \end{aligned}$ |

## DR.

| Sept. 30 | To cash, Preachers' Aid |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sept. 30 | To cash, contingent fund | 1,550.00 |
| Oct. 2 | To cash, interest, Preachers' Aid | 25.00 |
| $1917 .$ | To cash, Kensington Trust Co., interest | 378.00 |
| Mar. 16 | To cash, Valley Trust Co., on loan | 1,000.00 |
| Mar. 31 | To cash, Valley Trust Co., interest on bonds | 600.00 |
| Mar. 31 | To cash, Kensington Trust Co., interest | 378.00 |
| Mar. 31 | To cash, Ruth E. Enck, loan paid | 100.00 |
| Apr. 24 | To cash, G. P. Shearer, loan paid | 2,000.00 |
| July 13 | To cash, Mrs. Grace Tilford, loan paid | 500.00 |
| Aug. 24 | To cash, Valley Trust Co., on loan | 2,000.00 |
| Oct. 1 | To cash, Samuel B. Fox, loan paid | 2,000.00 |
| Oct. | To cash, Kensington Trust Co., interest | 378.00 |
| Oct. 1 | To cash, Kensington Trust Co., mortgage | 14,000.00 |
| Oct. 3 | To cash, interest on notes during year | 1,676.88 |
| Oct. 3 | To cash, Lebanon Valley college | 2,500.00 |
| Oct. 3 | To cash, appropriations | 3,718.74 |
| Oct. 3 | To cash, superintendent's salary | 2,500.00 |
| Oct. 3 | To cash, Philadelphia Third, during year | 16,5S7.63 |
| Oct. 3 | To cash, minimum salary, 1916 account | 182.00 |
| Oct. 3 | To cash, minimum salary | 487.65 |
| Oct. 3 | To cash, balance | 4,448.51 |

## CR.

Oct. ј By cash, balance

COMPENSATION INSURANCE
COMPENSATION INSURANCE
CR.
DR.
$\$ 142.00$

Oct. 4 By cash, balance

CR.

## PHILADELPHIA SECOND CHURCH: DR.

1916. ${ }^{\text {ept. } 27}$ To cash, balance due conference .....................................

## CR.

1916. 



## DR.

Oct. 3 To cash, balance due conference

## PHILADELPHIA THIRD CHURCH. <br> DR.

| $\begin{aligned} & 1916 . \\ & \text { Sept. } 27 \end{aligned}$ | To cash, balance due conference | \$2S,124.69 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Oct. 9 | To cash, E. E. Hollenback | $2,500.00$ |
| Nov. 17 | To cash, E. E. Hollenback | 2,800.00 |
| Dec. 16 | To cash, E. E. Hollenback | 1,700.00 |
| Mar. 5 | To cash, Geo. E. Savage, in | 63 |

$\begin{array}{lll}\text { Mar. } \\ \text { Mar. } & 5 \\ 5 & \text { To cash, } \\ \text { To }\end{array}$
CR.
1916.

DR.
Oct. 3 To cash, balance due conference

## QUINCY ORPHANAGE. CR.



|  |  | CR. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mar 20 | By cash, collections |  | \$ 54.75 |
| Apr. 20 | By cash, collections |  | 24.80 |
| May 20 | By cash, collections |  | 20.00 |
| June 20 | By cash, collections |  | 19.14 |
| July 20 | By cash, collections |  | :30.00 |
| Aug. 20 | By cash, collections |  | 50.00 |
| Sept. 20 | By cash, collectioris |  | 229.06 |
| Oct. 3 | By cash, collections |  | 51.81 |
| Oct. 3 | By cash, receîpts 1916-1917 |  | 882.89 |

DR.
1917.

Oct. 1 By cash, appropriation .................................................

DR.



## DR.

1916. 2 To cash, Lebanon Valley college
$\$ 1,000.00$
Mar. 3 To cash, Lebanon Valley college
500.00
272.00

Mar. ${ }^{3}$ To cash, Lebanon Valley college
1,000.00
291.25
744.79
20.00
$\$ 2,841.06$
$\$ 2,841.06$
$\$ 82.00$
$\$ 82.00$
\$3,S28.04
$\$ 3,828.04$

## RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES. <br> Resources

To notes-

| Cleona | \$ 500.00 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Sunbury | 1,100.00 |
| Lebanon Valley college | 300.00 |
| Lebanon, St. John | 390.00 |
| Coatesville | 2,400.00 |
| Philadelphia, First | 1,997.02 |
| Reading, Trinity | 1,697.91 |
| Preachers' Aid | 2,000.00 |
| Allentown. Sixth St. | 1,300.00 |
| Manheim | 850.00 |
| Harrislurg, Sixth St. | 4,000.00 |
| Lebanon, Helrron | 1,000.00 |

[^1]To other sources-

| Interest due on | 135.00 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Balance Philadelphia Second building | 14,678.26 |
| Balance Philadelphia Third building | 21,609.27 |

To cash balance
$\$ 36,422.53$
3,970.74
$\$ 85.42 \mathrm{~S} .20$

## Liabilities.

Tón notes-

| Non-interest bearing | \$ 7,000.00 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Bearing 5\% interest | 27,850.00 |
| Bearing 5 $1 / 2 \%$ interest | 6,000.00 |
| Preachers' Aid, 5\% | 2,000.00 |

To bonds-
To mortgage- Second, 5\%
$\$ 42,850.00$
\$12,000.00
Philadelphia Third
$\$ 14,000.00$
To ather liabilities-
Lizzie Landis Memorial Fund for Preachers' Aid ....... \$ 25.00
Book account, St. Paul ............................................ $1,261.61$
To resources above liabilities
\$ 1,286.61
15,291.59

Conference Treasurer
In connection with the above, the auditors presented the following report, which was, on motion, approved.

## REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE.

We have examined the accounts of the treasurer of the conference and of the publication board and have found the same correct.
J. M. WALTERS,
A. S. KREIDER,

Committee.
The Finance commission presented the following report, which was, on motion, adopted.

## REPORT OF FINANCE COMMISSION.

First, the budget
Interest on loans . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 125 . 12.00

General Conference budget . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $18,500.00$
Lebanon Valley college apportionment . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $1,500.00$

Total
$\$ 39,375.00$
Expenditures
Superintendent's salary
\$ 2,500.00
Lebanon Valley college apportionment
Preachers' Aid
Interests and discounts . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 8 . 500.00
General Conference budget . ...................................................................... . . . . . . . . $18,500.00$
Appropriations
Minimum salary
Contingencies
1.225.00

Philadelphia, Thïrd C̈hurch . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
Lebanon Valley college appropriation
$2,500.00$
Total
Second, That there shall be two columns of assessments as follows: conference budget and General Conference budget.

Third, That the conference budget shall include superintendent's salary. Preachers' Aid, Lebanon Valley college apportionment, contingent fund, and conference missions.

Fourth, That the General Conference budget shall include Foreign Missions, Home Missions,
Church Erection, Bishop's salary, Finance Commission. Preachers' Pensions, Sunday-school General Fund, Bonebrake Seminary, Educational Beneficiary, General Conference Expenses, Evangelism and Incidentals.

Fifth. That there shall be a separate column for Philadelphia, Third Church, Lebanon Valley college apportionment, and Quincy Orphanage.

Sixth, To meet the apportionment for Lebanon Valley college, all churches on all charges shall observe College Day on or before the first Sunday in May, 1918, and shall make an effort to reach the apportionment.

Seventh, That the superintendent's salary shall be $\$ 2,500$.
Eighth, That the conference superintendent shall give special aid to delinquent charges and pastors, so that their assessments may be full at the end of the coming year.

Ninth, The commission recommends the following regulations for students accepting charges in the conference:

1. That the student make a quarterly report to the conference superintendent and the college president of
(a) Number of sermons preached.
(b) Number of hours in service in actual congregational work.
(c) Number of pastoral visits made.
(d) Number of hours of college work carried.
2. That the pastor and college, with a representative of the conference and charge, agree as to the number of hours each student pastor may carry, in justice to the college, the charge, and the student pastor.

## ASSESSMENTS AND APPORTIONMENTS

| FIELDS OF LABOR. | Conference Budget | General <br> Benevolence | Philadelphia Third Church | Lebanon Valley College |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Allentown, Linden Street | \$250.00 | \$250.00 | \$ 15.00 | \$ 20.00 |
| Allentown, Sixth Street | 40.00 | 65.00 | 10.00 | 5.00 |
| Annville | 575.00 | 675.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| Avon | 150.00 | 200.00 | 20.00 | 15.00 |
| Bellegrove | 235.00 | 200.00 | 25.00 | 15.00 |
| Berne | 145.00 | 215.00 | 25.00 | 15.00 |
| Birdsboro | 100.00 | 80.00 | 25.00 | 5.00 |
| Brunnerville | 30.00 | 10.00 |  | 5.00 |
| Catawissa | 200.00 | 100.00 | 25.00 | 5.00 |
| Centerville | 130.00 | 100.00 | 25.00 | 10.00 |
| Chamber Hill | 90.00 | 80.00 | 15.00 | 5.00 |
| Coatesville | 75.00 | 60.00 | 25.00 | 10.00 |
| Columbia | 425.00 | 400.00 | 50.00 | 25.00 |
| Cressona | 105.00 | 105.00 | 10.00 | 10.00 |
| Denver | 200.00 | 180.00 | 25.00 | 10:00 |
| Elizabethtown | 225.00 | 265.00 | 15.00 | 20.00 |
| Ephrata | 250.00 | 350.00 | 25.00 | 20.00 |
| Florin | 110.00 | 110.00 | 25.00 | 5.00 |
| Grantville | 200.00 | 110.00 | 10.00 | 5.00 |
| Halifax | 170.00 | 140.00 | 50.00 | 10.00 |
| Harrisburg, First | 250.00 | 250.00 | 20.00 | 15.00 |
| Harrisburg, Otterbein | 360.00 | 340.00 | 25.00 | 25.00 |
| Harrisburg, Derry Street | 450.00 | 750.00 | 50.00 | 40.00 |
| Harrisburg, State Street | 210.00 | 265.00 | 25.00 | 30.00 |
| Harrisburg, Sixth Street | 250.00 | 250.00 | 25.00 | 40.00 |
| Hershey | 125.00 | 250.00 | 50.00 | 30.00 |
| Highspire | 225.00 | 250.00 | 35.00 | 15.00 |
| Hillsdale | 100.00 | 5.00 | 15.00 | 10.00 |
| Hopeland | 175.00 | 225.00 | 15.00 | 15.00 |
| Hummelstown | 275.00 | 400.00 | 50.00 | 35.00 |
| Intercourse | 160.00 | 85.00 | 25.00 | 15.00 |
| Iona | 80.00 | 160.00 | 10.00 | 10.00 |
| Jacksonville | 115.00 | 100.00 | 25.00 | 10.00 |
| Jonestown | 100.00 | 100.00 | 15.00 | 10.00 |
| Lancaster, Covenant | 500.00 | 1,000.00 | 50.00 | 35.00 |
| Lancaster, N. Queen Street | 200.00 | 270.00 | 10.00 | 20.00 |
| Lancaster, Laurel Hill .... |  |  |  |  |
| Lebanon, Salem | 550.00 | 875.00 | 60.00 | 40.00 |
| Lebanon, Trinity | 350.00 | 370.00 | 50.00 | 30.00 |
| Lehanon, Memorial | 200.00 | 200.00 | 15.00 | 15.00 |
| Lebanon, Bethany | 50.00 | 40.00 | 15.00 | 10.00 |
| Lebanon, West | 80.00 | S0.00 | 5.00 | 10.00 |
| Lebanon. Pleasant Hill | 1130.00 | 125.00 | 10.00 | 10.00 |
| Lebanon, Hebron | 100.00 | 115.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 |
| Lebanon circuit | 75.00 | 100.00 | 25.00 | 10.00 |
| Linglestown \& Rockville | 80.00 | 80.00 | 25.00 | 10.00 |
| Lititz | 105.00 | 115.00 | 10.00 | 10.00 |
| Lykens | 175.00 | 140.00 | 25.00 | 20.00 |
| Lykens circuit | 250.00 | $\bigcirc 50.00$ | 25.00 | 15.00 |
| Manheim | 205.00 | 225.00 | 25.00 | 15.00 |
| Manor | 180.00 | 100.00 | 10.00 | 10.00 |
| Middletown | 200.60 | 210.00 | 25.00 | 15.00 |
| Millersburg | 140.00 | 160.00 | 25.00 | 10.00 |
| Mont Clare | 100.00 | 80.00 | 10.00 | 10.00 |
| Mt. Carmel | 120.00 | S5.00 | 25.00 | 5.00 |
| Mt. Joy | 225.00 | ${ }_{2}^{2} 5.00$ | 25.00 | 20.00 |
| Mountville | 270.00 | 350.00 | 50.00 | 25.00 |
| Myerstown | 225.00 | 225.00 | 50.00 | 20.00 |
| Neffsville | 90.00 | 90.00 | 10.00 | 10.00 |
| New Holland | 260.00 | 250.00 | 50.00 | 20.00 |
| Northampton | S0.00 | 60.00 | 25.00 | 5.00 |
| Oberlin ...... | 265.00 | 290.00 | 25.00 | 30.00 |
| Palmyra, First | 280.00 | 270.00 | 35.00 | 30.00 |
| Palmyra, Second | 110.00 | 110.00 | 25.00 | 20.00 |
| ${ }_{\text {Paradise }}$ | 200.00 275.00 | 200.00 275.00 | 25.00 30.00 | 25.00 30.00 |
| Pequea. | 120.00 | 100.00 | 25.00 | 10.00 |

FIELDS OF LABOR.
West Willow \& Refton ....................... $135.00 \quad 150.00 \quad 25.00 \quad 20.00$


Total

The report of the committee on Seminary Extension was not approved, and after various reconsiderations and motions, the committee on Seminary Extension was relieved of its duties.

The trustees of the Preachers' Aid society reported as follows, and recommended the following appropriations and resolutions, which were, on motion, approved.

## REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF PREACHERS' AID SOCIETY.

We recommend the following appropriations to the beneficiaries:


As members of the conference we are all very anxious to increase very largely the funds of this society, so as to be able to give its beneficiaries proper support. The appeals to the Preachers' Aid board are heartrending. We must come to their help with larger liberality.

We therefore recommend:
First, That every pastor be authorized and required to solicit cash and subscriptions to swell this fund into larger proportions. We suggest the month of January as a suitable time to make this special effort and respectfully ask the conference superintendent to see that this resolution be carried out.

Second, That one-half of this amount thus secured this year be added to the permanent fund, and one-half be for disbursement among the beneficiaries at the :aext meeting of the conference.

Third, That the treasurer of the conference give to this body at its next annual session a clear statement of the total assets and resources that belong to this fund, to be used as a basis for the building up of an adequate fund for this society.

Respectfully submitted,
COMMITTEE.
The committee on Mt . Gretna Dormitory submitted the following resolution, which was adopted:

Your committee on the Mt. Gretna Dormitory begs to submit the following recommendation:
That, in view of uncertainties in the present status, and the lifficulties growing out of the action taken by the conference one year ago, we recominend that the matter he referred back to the board of directors of the Mt. Gretna Camp-neeting Association for their decision.

G. D. BATDORF,<br>I. H. ALBRIGHT,<br>S. C ENCK,

Committee.
The following report of G. D. Gossard, president of Lebanon Valley college, was presented by him, and, on motion, was approved.

## REPORT OF PRESIDENT GOSSARD OF LEBANON VALLEY COLLEGE.

Dear Brethren-It is with pleasure that I present to you my report of the year's work at Lebanon Valley college. The record of the year is made; what is written is written. It has been a prosperous year in many ways. God's blessings have been upon us and we are happy because of his continued presence and guidance. To him we give the glory for the results achieved and the victories won. We do most earnestly covet his continued guidance and blessing. The problems of the year were hard to solve but we were generally successful.

During the year the college has attempted to meet the needs demanded by the Church so that every cent invested by the Church has been returned in trained and consecrated manhood and womanhood.

The faculty and treasurer worked faithfully and hard, with long hours and increased tasks because of the large student body during the past year. Their loyalty and devotion to the college are unquestioned, though the financial compensation for services rendered was far too small. If we are to hold a strong faculty we must increase their salaries, especially since we are living in an age of unprecedented high prices.

The students are loyal and their good records are evidence of an efficient faculty. The standards are the equal of other denominational schools of the State. The college atmosphere is excellent. We have no trouble in maintaining discipline.

The Student Body-The student body this year will de about twenty per cent. lower than last year. We feel gratified, however, at these figures when comparing them with the numuers enrolled at other institutions. About fifty of our students heard the call of the country and are now scattered over a wide territory as Uncle Sam has directed. Some of our voys are in France, some in England, one in Italy, and the others are ready and waiting to go wherever they are most needed. We take off our hats to these splendid young men who thus sacrifice to help their country in a time of need. Our prayer is, that God will uring them all back safely to their homes and loved ones.

Improvements-Under the direction of the Executive committee, improvements, added equipment, and repairs were made which cost the college avout $\$ 6,000$. Among the improvernents added was a three-manual pipe organ, manufactured by the Mohler Organ Co., Hagerstown, Maryland. This organ is named in honor of Hiram E. Steinmetz, Esq., Ephrata, Pennsylvania.

Finance-It is difficult to finance a college of 400 students when the income is smaller than any of our neigh woring colleges of similar standing. We must compete with them in the getting of students and in the quality of work done. The task is indeed a hard one. If the neighboring institutions must have large endowments to make ends meet, then Lebanon Valley should have similar conditions. We are weak in income from endowment as compared with other institutions. The college greatly appreciates the help of the conferences in paying approximately $\$ 4,000$ each for current expense. I velieve our ministers and vest business inen see the need, and stand for an adequate endowment fund.

The General Conference in its Four-Year Program asks that two million dollars be raised for our colleges during the quadrennium. In harmony with that action, the board of trustees, at its annual meeting in June last, passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That the effort be continued to raise $\$ 250,000$ at the earliest time possible; that $\$ 80,000$ be applied on debt and current expense and the balance on endowment and buildings.

I feel quite sure that our co-operating conferences will meet this situation fairly and squarely. Indeed, it must be done, if Levanon Valley college is to do the work of a firstclass Christian college. This work should beyin immediately, even at this conference. A froper committee should be appointed which will look after the work and carry it to a successful completion. Can we reach this anount? Can this be accomplished? It certainly can if there be a willing mind on the part of our ministers and laymen. The task seems herculean but it appeals to the heroic-to the best that is in us. We can do it if we will. With 50,000 members in East Pennsylvania and Pennsylvania conferences, each paying one dollar a year for five years, this amount can be reached. Added to this will be the financial and moral support which comes to us from Virginia conference. It cannot help as much financially because it has its own school, Shenandoah Collegiate Institute, to look after. We are sure, however, it will help all it can.

Lebanon Valley college is our only institution of college standing east of Ohio and we believe that we ought to have as our constituency all territory east of the Ohio line. We would not try to coerce other territory to come to us, but believe by the process of reasoning and proper courtship that this end can be reached.

The hearty co-operation of all who ought to be interested in Lebanon Valley college will assure the success of this institution without doubt. My prayer is that we may yield to the leading of the Spirit, then I know we shall win.

## Sincerely, <br> G. D. GOSSARD, President.

The following report on Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor was presented by C. A. Lynch, and was, on motion, approved.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR

The Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor has passed the experimental stage. It has demonstrated its right to exist as an important factor in preparing the young for efficient service in the Church. In response to the bugle call, sounded by Dr. Francis Clark and his co-workers, thousands of raw recruits went into intensive training, and are now serving the Church acceptably in all of its departments. The Christian Endeavor society has transfused the optimism and vitality of youth into the veins of more than one dying congregation. It tends to unify the various denominational efforts and direct them toward a common goal, and has projected itself so prominently into all avenues of Christian work, laboring with such phenomenal success, that the Church officially adopted it by creating a special department to encourage its development and direct its activities.

The question that now confronts us is, "How may the Christian Endeavor societies of our denomination, and particularly the societies within our conference, attain their maximum efficiency?" The committee knows of no better answer than this: Let every local society aim to reach the goals proposed by the General Conference at Wichita, Kansas. That ecclesiastical assembly originated a statesmanlike plan which will challenge the best efforts of the individual endeavorer, the local society, and the conference district organizations.

Therefore, to make this report of practical consequence, instead of a mere literary production, and to give earnest expression to our high appreciation of the relationship of the Young Yeople's Work to the conterence and Church, be it

Kesolved, First that as pastors and laymen, recognizing the importance of the Four-Year Program, as adopted by the General Conference, we give it wide puolicity and proper emphasis, and encourage our local societies to rally for the great drive necessary for the consummation of the said program.

Second, That we urge the societies to concentrate their energies this fall in enrolling endeavorers in study classes, or to follow the "Students in Personal Efficiency" plan for reading good books. In this connection we recommend the use of the booklet, "Our Young People," prefared by Secretary Deever.

Third. That spectal attention be given to organization, seeking to strengthen new societies, reclaim the indifterent societies that exist only in name, and on charges where there are no Christian Endeavor socicties, organizations be effected as soon as practicaule.

Fourth, That we note, with commendation, the splendid and meritorious plan of our own conference union to establish a scholarship fund, the interest of which is to be used to aid worthy young pcople in preparation 1 or Christian service, and urge the Senior, Intermediate, and Junior societies to respond vy making definite pledges, in accordance with the decision of the conierence union to rase the sum of one thousand dollars by June $15,1918$.

Fifth, That the local societies give more attention to the matter of responding to appeals for inormation, the sending of delegatès to the annual convention, and the payment of their annual dues.

Sixth, That we hereby express our sincere appreciation of the faithful and highly efficient service that is veing rendered by Secretary O. 1. Deever, and the officers of the conference union, and pledge our hearty co-operation to them and their work.

Seventh, That we commend to our young people such literature as will minister to their devotional life, furnish them with helpful information, and inspire them to activity; especially the Watchword, our own denominational publication, and the Christian Endeavor World.

Eighth, That we sanction and encourage the enmity of the Young People's Work to intemperance and all other forms of civic unrighteousness, and join with them in their noteworthy endeavor to make the land of our birth a saloonless nation by 1920 .

Ninth, That we voice our disapproval in respect to the fickle, sensational, and immoral tendencies in much of modern fiction, the stage, and tilm productions, inasmuch as they corrupt the morais of our young people and counteract the very influences that the Christian Endeavor movement seeks to exert.

Tenth, That we encourage our young people to respond to calls of Christian service both at home and a road, and in prcparation for their life's work to take advantage of the rich opportunities for training, offered by our own Levanon Valley college and Bonebrake Theological Seminary.

Eleventh, That the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor join hands with the other branches of our denominational life and activity in a consecrated effort to, bring to a full realization the conference theme, "A BETTER AND A GREATER CHURCH."

Respectfully suimitted,
CLYDE A. LYNCH,
Committee.
The following resolution relative to Lebanon Valley college was unanimously adopted:

Pursuant to the action of the General Conference with refcrence to that portion of the Four-Year Program as it relates to our own college, be it

Resolved, First, That the trustees of the college representing East Pennsylvania conference be and are herebv authorized to speak for the confercnce when the board of trustees of the college assemble for the purpose of formulating a program whereby the set goal may be reached. Provided, however,
(a) The conference hereby expresses its insistent direction that, before the active campaign be opened, no pains be spared and every possible effort be made to thoroughly amalgamate the forces through whose instrumentality the goal is to be reached.
(b) And provided, further, that all concerned exert every possible influence to have restored the college in full confidence with the co-operating charges before the active financial campaign be begun.
Second, And be it resolved that pursuant to the preceding provisions we pledge ourselves to respond to the claims of such plans as our trustees may devise for the execution of the task
which the General Conference has assigned us, namely, the raising of $\$ 250,000$ for Lebanon Valley college.

ISAAC B. HAAK,
JAS. R. SNYDER,
G. D. BATDORF,
H. J. BEHNEY,
M. H. JONES,
A. G. NYE
H. S. KIEFER,
H. E. MILLER, S. C. ENCK,
C. E. BOUGHTER,
M. CLAYTON SPENGLER,
J. A. LYTER,
A. S. LEHMAN,
A. S. KREIDER

Committee.
E. O. Burtner presented the following report of the committee on Resolutions, which was approved.

## RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, God in benign providence has permitted us as a conference to assemble in this, the one hundred and eighteenth annual session, to transact business relative to his church and kingdom, and,

Whereas, A fine spirit of harmony and Christian fellowship have marked the sessions from day to day, and,

Whereas, We note with due appreciation evidences of God's favor upon our conference in its spiritual and material growth during the past year; therefore, be it

Resolved, First, that we are profoundly grateful to our Heavenly Father for his blessing upon our labor of love, and that we pledge anew the best powers of mind and heart to the Master's service this coming year.

Second, That we give our undivided loyalty to Lehanon Valley college in its endeavor to meet the growing needs of our Church in the East, and that we all unite in a plan to help meet the burdensome debt upon her, provide an adequate endowment for its greater efficiency, and turn students to her doors.

Third. That we recognize the true worth of Bonebrake Theological Seminary, so vital to our denominational life in training young men for the ministry and other activities of Christian service, and that we heartily co-operate with it in all its interests.

Fourth, That we appreciate the wisdom and larger outlook of the General Conference in the great goals set for the Church for this quadrennium, and that we as a conference "go to it" in heroic endeavor to reach these objectives as they relate to us.

Fifth, That we are deeply gratified over the splendid and impartial manner with which our beloved Bishop Bell presided over the conference in its deliberations and for his most helpful and inspiring addresses.

Sixth. That we express our thankfulness to the pastor, Rev. S. F. Daugherty, of this church, and his good people for their open-hearted hospitality and the delightful way in which they have entertained the conference.
E. O. BURTNER,

Committee.
The committee on Devotions made a report, supplying the pulpits of the town and surrounding country where supplies were requested.

The bishop appointed the following standing committees for the current year. (See page 3.)

It was ordered by motion that the official adjournment of the conference take place Monday, October 8, 1917, at ten o'clock a.m.

The minutes of the fourth day morning session of the conference were read and approved.

The fourth day morning session of the conference adjourned with the benediction by E. O. Burtner.

On the fourth day, afternoon, the members of the conference were treated to an automobile ride through the beautiful Lebanon valley by the members and friends of the local congregation.

In connection with the Sabbath afternoon services, J. R. MacDonald, C. R. Longenecker, H. A. Smith, H. M. Mentzer, O. T. Ehrhart, C. Y. Ulrich, and J. F. Brown were ordained to the office of elder in the Church of the United Brethren in Christ by Bishop Bell, assisted by S. C. Enck and J. A. Lyter.

The report of the Stationing committee was read by Bishop Bell at the Sabbath-afternoon services. It is as follows:

## STATIONING COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

Conference Superintendent-S. C. Enck. D.D. Avon-H. E. Shaeffer.

Catawissa-P. M. Holdeman
Centerville-C. A. Sollenberger.
Chamber Hill-C. L. Earley.
Coatesville-I. W. Funk.
Columbia-P. H. Balsbaugh.
Cressona-L. R. Kramer.
Denver-M. H. Miller.
Elizabethtown-I. N. Seldomridge.
Ephrata-C. A. Mutch.
Florin-O. G. Romig.
Grantville-H. A. Smith.
Halifax-Ira D. Lowery.
Harrisburg, First-W. E. Daugherty, D.D.
Harrisburg, Otterbein-S. E. Rupp, D.D.
Harrisburg, Derry Street-J. A. Lyter, D.D.
Harrisburg, State Street-H. F. Rhoad.
Harrisburg, Sixth Street-Joseph Daugherty.
Hershey-R. R. Butterwick. D.D.
Highspire-M. H. Wert.
Hillsdale-E. F. Castetter.
Hopeland-N. I. Fake.
Hummelstown-A. S. Lehman.
Intercourse-M. V. Fridinger.
Iona-W. E. Shoop.
Jacksonville-H. H. Fertig.
Jonestown-O. R. Brooks.
Lancaster, Covenant-G. D. Batdorf, Ph.D.
Lancaster, N. Queen Street-J. E. Keene.
Lancaster, Laurel Street-I. R. Bowermaster.
Lebanon, Salem-H. E. Miller, D.D.
Lebanon, Trinity-B. F. Daugherty, D.D.
Lehanon, Memorial-M. H. Jones.
Lebanon, Bethany-M. A. Wagner.
Lebanon, West-Roy C. Spangler.
Lehanon, Hebron-O. T. Ehrhart.
Lebanon, Pleasant Hill-D. S. Longenecker.
Le')anon circuit-H. K. Geyer.
Lehigh circuit-William Krick.
Linglestown-C. A. Lynch.
Manada Hill (under. Linglestown quarterly conference) - Edwin Rhoad.
Lititz-C. S. Miller.
Lykens-S. L. Rhoads.
Lykens circuit-G. W. Rothermel.
Manheim-A. L. Haeseler.
Manor-Martin Groff.
Middletown-I. II. Albright, Ph.D.
Millershurg-G. W. Hallman.
Mont Clare-J. O. Jones.
Mt. Carmel-S. G. Haas.
Mt. Joy-D. E. Long.
Mountville-O. L. Mease.
Myerstown-I. Mover Hershey.
Neffsville-S. G. Kauffman.
New Holland-C. E. Rettew.
Northampton-I. B. Koons.

Oberlin-H. S. Kiefer.
Palmyra, First--E. O. Burtner, D.D.
Palmyra, Second-C. R. Longenecker.
Paradise-A. G. Nye.
Penbrook-H. M. Miller.
Pequea-M. B. Groff.
Philadelphia, First-C. Y. Ulrich.
Philadelphia, Second-N. L. Linebaugh. Philadelphia, Third-C. A. Snavely.
Pine Grove-R. E. Morgan.
Pottstown-J. A. Keiper.
Reading, Zion-C. E. Boughter.
Reading, Trinity-H. F. Boeshore.
Reading, Salem-D. D. Buddinger.
Royalton-William Beach.
Stoverdale-Chas. A. Oliver.
Schuylkill Haven-G. M. Richter.
Shamokin, First-H. J. Behney.
Shamokin. Second-J. F. Brown.
Shamokin circuit-J. C. Deitzler.
Steelton-A. K. Wier.
Sunbury--J. M. Walters.
Tower City-.G. W. Hess.
Tremont-B. F. Goodman.
Union-J. R. MacDonald.
Valley View-H. M. Mentzer.
West Willow \& Refton-B. M. Brenneman.
Williamstown-C. Mease.
C. I. B. Brane, D.D., associate editor, Religious Telescope.
S. D. Faust, D.D., professor in Bonebrake Theological Seminary.
A. E. Shroyer, professor in Lebanon Valley college.
J. T. Spangler, D.D., professor in Lebanon Valley college.
George F. Bierman, Ph.D., D.D., instructor in Boys' Central High School, Reading, Pennsylvania.
H. U. Roop, Ph.D., president Eastern college, Manasses, Virginia.
C. C. Witmer, missionary in the Philippine Islands.
C. A. Funk, missionary in China.
C. W. Shoop, missionary in China:
I. F. Musselman, missionary in Africa.
P. B. Gibble, student in Bonebrake Theological Seminary.
C. H. Holzinger, senior in Princeton Theological Seminary.
Samuel T. Dundore, student in Lebanon Valley college.
Paul E. V. Shannon. student in Lebanon Valley college.
Raymond S. Heberlig, student in Lebanon Valley college.

The following memoirs of ministers of the conference, who died during the year, were read at the memorial service on Sabbath afternoon.

## REV. W. W. FRIDINGER.

Rev. W. W. Fridinger, son of Edward H. and Cecilia Fridinger, was born July 18, 1862, in Carroll County, Maryland, and fassed from labor to reward October 9, 1916.

Brother Fridinger received his early education in the public schools and later spent a short time in Lebanon Valley college. He was converted at the age of fourteen years and united with the United Brethren Church. He was united in marriage to Emilie Sepp, and this union was blessed with three children. After the death of his first wife he was married a second time, in 1890, to Clara E. Frank. This union was blessed with eight children, four having preceded the father to that better land.

Brother Fridinger was received into the East Pennsylvania conference in the year 1893, and was ordained as an elder by Bishop E. B. Kephart in 1898. During his ministry he rendered efficient service as pastor of the following charges: Fishburn circuit, Hopeland, Schaefferstown, Reading, Salem; Allentown, Sixth Street; Denver, Jonestown, and was assigned at the last conference to New. Holland charge, where he was Erivileged to minister only one Sunday. After the evening service he returned to his home in Jonestown and fell asleep to awake on the resurrection morning.

The funeral services were held in the Iona United Brethren church, in charge of Dr. D. D. Lowery, who preached a very appropriate sermon. His body was laid to rest in the adjoining cemetery.

We tender our sincere sympathy to the bereaved family and commend them to God, who will ever comfort them that believe.
H. M. MILLER.

## REV. SAMUEL B. WENGERT

Pope in his immortal "Essay on Man," says, "Worth makes the man, and want of it the fellow."

It is not great wealth, it is not so-called royal blood, it is not learning or official position that makes the true man. It is a life of noble deeds, of true manhood, of unselfish devotion to God and his cause, to home, to family, and to country, and a walk and conversation void of offense that constitutes true worth. Such was the life of our deceased brother, to commemorate whose virtues, together with others of our brothers, who during the past year have been called from labor to reward, we have gathered here this afternoon. I embrace the opportunity which the occasion affords, and bring this humble tribute to the memory of our brother.

Rev. Samuel B. Wengert was born at Mt. Nebo, Lebanon County, Pennsylvania. He was the son of Samuel and Matilda Wengert, and one of six children.

His boyhood days were spent on his father's farm. working on the farm during the summer and attending the puhlic schools during the winter months. Early in life he accepted Jesus Christ as his personal Savior, and united with the Church. Thus step by step he rose, and sume may have thought he had reached his goal, when he was graduated from the Millersville State Normal School, and hecame a teacher in the puhlic schools of Lehanon County, Pennsylvania. He was a successful teacher, but always felt that his life work lay in other directions. -He finally yielded to the call to the gospel ministry. In the year 1893, he was granted license to preach at a session of conference held at Lykens, Pennsvlvania. He was ordained an elder of the United Brethren in Christ Church at a session of conference held at Avon, Pennsylvania, in 1896. He served as nastor of the following named charges: Middleburg, Williamstown, Elizabethville, Schuylkill Haven, Lehanon, Memorial; Reading, Salem, and Lehanon, Bethany.

He died December 7, 1916, aged fiftv-one years, ten months, and thirteen days. His funeral service was held in our Salem Church, Lebanon, Pennsylvania, in charge of Dr. D. D. Lowery, assisted by Dr. H. E. Miller, the pastor. The sermon hy Dr. R. R. Butterwick, based upon the words of Jesus, in the Gospel of John, twelfth chapter and twenty-sixth verse, was appropriate and comforting. Brother Wengert is survived by several brothers and sisters, and an only daughter, Sarah, whom he loved with all the strength of his great soul; we lovingly and reverently commend you, daughter, to the faithful care and keeping of your Father's God. Until life's latest day may this "God, who doeth all things well, be your refuge and underneath you the everlasting arms."

As a preacher of the gospel, and a member of this conference, Brother Wengert commanded the confidence and respect of all, and the closer attachment and affection of those who knew him intimately. He was a man with a life's mission-a mission such as men adopt as their calling voluntarily, yet unconsciously guided in their selection by the invisible hand of Divine Providence. For his mission, to which God, through the voice of the church, called him, he eminently endowed him. He made him a man whose religion found its best expression in ministering to the poor and needy, in comforting the sorrowing, and in leading sinners to the "Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world." He brought to every task a zeal and fidelity that could be best translated by the words of the Apostle Paul: "For I determined not to know anything among you, save Jesus Christ, and Him crucified." He dealt in facts and was always equipped with good reasons to justify his acts. He made no pretensions to oratory, but none surpassed him in the faithful presentation of the great truths of the gospel, and in carrying conviction to those who gave him their attention. Fidelity and courage marked his public life. When once he saw the right, his duty became plain and he never faltered. I cannot banish from my own mind the thought that has been uppermost in the minds of many since his death-that, humanly thinking and speaking, death claimed him all too soon; too soon for himself and his amhition-an ambition pure and unselfish, cherished alone for the good he might do. He died too soon for the Church, and this conference, to which he had consecrated his life, and in which he labored for almost twenty-four years.

But why longer speak of these things? God has bidden the workman stop; and, though his life work stands before us in this hour like an unfinished temple-a temple, though incomplete, yet bearing in every arch and pillar, angle and stone, the marks of a master builder-may our hearts be comforted, as we remember the words of the psalmist, "The Lord will perfect that which concerneth me."
M. H. JONES.

## REV. AMOS LEHMAN.

"The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord." Living or dying he is the Lord's. He arranges his life by the will of God and when the divine purpose is complete the gateway of death swings open and he enters into the joy of his Lord.
"To live is Christ, to die is gain," is the best that can be said of any life. Nothing need be said after that. It is enough. And yet there is a value and an interest in the details of such a life that makes the preservation and rehearsal of them not only an honorable tribute that is gladly given, but also an incentive and an inspiration to all. We therefore present for record the following as relating to the life of the Rev. Amos Lehman, who died at his home in Reading, Pennsylvania, on Thursday. April 5, 1917, aged sixty-seven years, seven months, and twelve days.

He was born in the city of Reading, August 30, 1850. His father died, leaving the widowed mother and a family of children without any means. The struggle for life and subsistence was very real. At the age of ten, he gave his heart to God and united with the Zion United Brethren Church at Reading, under the labors of the sainted Rev. James G. Fritz. From this time on he felt a call and inclination to the Christian ministry and struggled earnestly to prepare

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himself in heart and mind for the high calling. He began his work as a minister in the Church of God, serving at Schaefferstown, Lebanon County, and at McKeansburg and Valley View, in Schuylkill County. Sometime during the year 1879, he returned to the church of his youthful choice and assumed the pastorate of the Landingville charge of the East German conference.

At the next annual session he was again appointed to Landingville, and at the following conference convening at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, he was regularly admitted on his credentials, from the Church of God, as an elder in the Church and conference. He was assigned to the Williams Valley circuit. From this time on he served continuously in the conference until in the early part of the year 1916, he was incapacitated by the physical breakdown which ended in his death.

Beginning with Landingville in 1879-S0, he served Williams Valley (1881-82), Susquehanna (1883-84), Lykens Valley circuit (1885-86-87), Schuylkill Haven (1888-89), Lebanon circuit (1890-91-92-93-94), Williamstown (1895-96-97), Reading, Salem (1898-99-00-01-02-03), Denver (1904-05), Florin (1906-07), Berne (1908), Lebanon, Memorial (1909-10-11), Palmyra, Second (1912-13-14-15), Pine Grove (1916). During these thirty-eight years of service, according to the official records, he received into the church 1,127 persons. Taking into account the three years he served in the Church of God, the records of which were not accessible, it is safe to say that he received into fellowship at least 1,200 souls.

The average yearly salary received was about $\$ 580$. The highest was $\$ 870$, and the lowest for a full year's service was $\$ 400$. In this is included the value of the parsonage rental.

Brother Lehman multiplied his power for good many times by the number of young men he skillfully guided through the myriad voices that beck and call to youth to heed the voice of God calling them to the Christian ministry. There are probably ten or more men in the work in our Church and in other denominations who reached a definite decision and surrender through his wise counsel. This was a source of great joy to him.

His ministry was effective. It moved men to repentance, to confession, to service. His work meets the test. It needs no defense. He did what he could.

He held himself rigidly to the task of knowing Christ and his life-giving Word. He surrendered himself with whole-hearted passion to the declaration of him, and God mightily blessed and used him.

To his surviving companion, three daughters, and ten grand-children, he leaves the incomparable legacy of a good name, the memories of a noble, godly life, and the glorious hope of a Christian; and to all who knew him best, the inspiration of a life of honorable, uplifting, and enduring service rendered under difficulties and limitations which to a lesser faith in God would have made it impossible.

We laid his body in the Charles Evans Cemetery at Reading. He rests in peace. We miss his genial presence at conference, but we shall meet again at the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, and perliaps sooner, for "to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord."

CHAS. E. BOUGHTER.

## REV. G. W. ENDERS.

Rev. G. W. Enders was born in Jackson Township, Dauphin County, Pa., January 6, 1836, died December 27, 1916, at the age of eighty years, eleven months, and twenty-one days.

Brother Enders was the last of ten children. He attended the common schools of Jackson Township and Berrysburg Academy where he received a liberal education and prepared for teaching. He taught in the public schools of Jackson, Halifax, and Williams townships for twenty-six years. He also taught the Williamstown High School in the early history of the town when there was but one school. He learned shoemaking and followed that trade for many years. In 1882, he erected a store building and dwelling at Enders and conducted a general store for twenty-four years, retiring from the business in 1906. He was also interested in several enterprises which he served faithfully.

Brother Enders was several times elected justice of the peace in Jackson Township and served as school director for many years. He was a warm friend of the cause of education and exerted his influence for the advancement of the public schools. On December 24, 1858, Brother Enders was married to Miss Susan Warner, by Rev. N. E. Bressler.

At a revival held in Enders in the year 1862, by Rev. Geo. W. Hoffman, Brother Enders was converted and at once joined the church. He served as superintendent of the Enders Sunday school for a period of twenty-five years. In 1878, at a quarterly conference held in the Union Church in Powls Valley, Dauphin County, Pa., in charge of Brother M. J. Mumma, elder, Brother Enders received quarterly conference license to preach the gospel. He joined the annual conference in 1881, at Lebanon, Pa., Bishop J. Dickson presiding. At the conference held in Schuylkill Haven, September 28, 1857, Bishop Ezekiel Kephart presiding, Brother Enders was ordained as an elder. He took an active part in all the interests of the Church, having organized a number of mite societies on Jacksonville circuit, which are still in existence. Although Brother Enders never served a charge, he filled the pulpits of Jacksonville circuit and neighboring fields very acceptably.

On January 1, 1917, the body of Brother Enders was tenderly laid to rest, after suffering for many months. The writer had charge of the services, assisted by Rev. James Shoop, as requested by the deceased brother, who spoke in the German language from Psalms $92: 13-$ "Those that be planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish in the courts of our God."

The following brethren were present to pay their last respects to our departed brother: Rev. J. E. Keene, Lancaster; Rev. G. W. Hess, Tower City; Rev. J. R. MacDonald, Lykens, and Rev. J. C. Pease, Halifax.

The life of our departed brother was a life of good deeds. Friends and neighbors speak very highly of him. He was faithful in all the services of the Church; his faith in God was firm and unshaken, never wavering. He was especially kind to beginners in the ministry, encouraging them, and like a father he watched over them and also gave good, sound advice when needed. Not only did he comfort them in word, but occasionally gave them help financially.

Although our brother has gone from our midst, he is not forgotten. Although we keenly feel the loss, we are comforted in the thought that some day we shall, clasp glad hands again in that brighter, better world beyond this vale of tears.
H. H. FERTIG.

## DOCTOR DANIEL DEWITT LOWERY.

Rev. Daniel DeWitt Lowery, D.D., was born at Annville, Pa., Apri1 11, 1860, died May 29, 1917. Though grace may not run in the blood, yet the individual is highly favored who has descended from a godly parentage, whose training has been guided by Christian principles, hallowed with godly prayers and watered with saintly tears. These privileges were enjoyed by Dr. D. D. Lowery.

His father, John Henry Lowery, was a well-known minister of the gosnel of the Church of the United Brethren in Christ for a number of years; his mother, Martha D. Lowery, a Christian woman and worthy helpmeet.

Outside of his home instruction. his education was commenced at rebanon Valley college. Whatever may have been his earliest religious exercises, he was led to become a member of the United Brethren Church when eight years old. From his early youth he was confident that God called him to the sacred ministry.

At the age of sixteen he decided to devote himself at once to the work of the gospel ministry, and was licensed to preach at the age of sixteen by Rev. Ezekiel Light. He received annual conference license at the age of nineteen by Bishop Glosshrenner. At the age of eighteen he was appointed to Tamaaua charge. He was ordained hy Bishon Glosshrenner at the age of twenty-one years. He served the following charges with credit: Tamaqua, Camden, N. J., West Fairview, Baltimore, Big Spring, Manheim, Mt. Joy, Annville, and Harrisburg, Derry Street.

In the year 1881 he married Ida M. Burtner. Two children were the issue of this happy marriage. The eldest, Ira D., a minister, Florin, Pa. One daughter married to Robert W. Tilford lives at Harrisburg, Pa.

In 1893, at the annual conference held at Steelton, Pa., Doctor Lowery was elected conference superintendent by an almost unanimous vote. He served in this capacity twenty-four consecutive years. He was an ideal conference superintendent and his equal is hard to find. He was fair and strictly impartial, always looking toward the interests of the charge and the man appointed. As a conference superintendent he was extremely popular with both laity and preachers. His life is an example of distinguished success and usefulness.

Doctor Lowery had a keen, analytical mind. and logical nower of the highest order. Ife was a great reader. He told me unon different occasions that he read at least one hook a week. He was well versed upon the leading subiects of the day. He was sound in doctrine and never swerved one iota from the plain teaching of the Bible. He has written much. but has published nothing excent articles in the Conference Herald and a small book entitled, "Selections from Madame Guyon."

He received the degree of doctor of divinity from Lebanon Valley collere in the vear 1906. He was a delegate and attended the last seven General Conferences. He was greatly interested in everv move, and stood heroically for what he believed to be right and for the best interests of the Church which he loved.

The Bihle has all along heen to him the onlv infallible rule of faith and nractice. He took it as the Word of God given hy Divine inspiration. and as containing the history of the development of God's plan of redemntion for a lost world-rich in counsel, command, promise, and prophecy. and of wonderful fulfillments. He loved his Church; the verv name "TVnited Brethren in Christ" was as dear to him as the ample of his eye. He was loyal to the fundamental principles of the Church and carried out the teachings and Discinline to the verv letter.

Anything said or done contrary to the hest interests and teachings of the Church. that in some way or manner might have been misleading or misconstrued, hurt him to the depths of his heart.

If ever there was a man who loved his work, true and loval to his Church, kind and forhearing to his co-workers, devoted and deenly interested in everv annnintment and its pastor, progressive and aggressive in word and deed, it was Daniel DeWitt Lowery.

A great man passed away; a strong and mightv pillar has fallen. His name, his nohle deeds, his clean Christian life and keen interest in the Church and conference shall live for vears to come. He worked hard, never saved himself, nor looked after his own comforts; the Churchthe Church and the carrying out of God's program was his utmost desire; therefore his life was laid upon the altar for service and for sacrifice. His enual is hard to find. His place is not easily filled God called Brother Lowery to his blessed reward and sabbath of eternal rest. He worked hard, remained in the active service until he heard the final summon, "Come home, thou good and faithful servant. thou hast heen faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things; enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."
S. C. ENCK.

# SABBATH AND EVENING SERVICES. <br> Wednesday Evening. 

Professor A. E. Shroyer, presiding.
$\begin{aligned} \text { 7:30 } & \text { Devotions, Rev. I. Moyer Hershey. } \\ & \text { Report of Committee on Education, Prof. J. T. Spangler, D.D. }\end{aligned}$
Short program conducted by college students.
Address, Rev. G. D. Gossard, D.D., president Lebanon Valley college.
Address, Rev. J. E. Fout, D.D., manager Bonebrake Theological Seminary.

## Thursday Evening.

Rev. B. F. Daugherty, D.D., presiding.
7:30 Devotions, Rev. A. K. Wier.
Report on Foreign Missions, Rev. G. M. Richter.
Address, "The New World Situation a Summons for a Sacrificial Advance in Foreign Missions," Rev. S. S. Hough, D.D.
Address, "Victories and Needs in West Africa," Rev. J. F. Musselman. Address, "A New Day Dawning in China," Rev. C. W. Shoop.

## Friday Evening.

Kev. E. O. Burtner, D.D., presiding.
7:30 Devotions, Rev. C. A. Snavely.
Report on Home Missions, Rev. O. E. Mease
Report on Church Erection, Rev C. Y. Ulrich.
Address, "America's Challenge to the United Brethren Church," Rev. J. S. Kendall, D.D.

## Saturday Evening.

Rev. D. E. Long, presiding.
7:30 Devotions, Rev. C. R. Longenecker.
Report on Sunday Schools, Rev. H. S. Kiefer.
Report on Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor, Rev. C. A. Lynch.
Address, "Our Quadrennial Goals and How to Reach Them," Rev. C. W. Brewbaker, D.D.

## Sunday Morning.

9:00 Bible School.
10: 15 Morning Worship.
Conference Sermon, Bishop W. M. Bell, D.D., LL.D. Theme, "Modern Fallacies." II. Timothy 4:3, 4.

## Sunday Afternoon.

2:00 Memorial Service.
Biographical Sketches:
W. W. Fridinger, Rev. H. M. Miller, D.D.
S. B. Wengert, Rev. M. H. Jones.
A. Lehman, Rev. C. E. Boughter.
G. W. Enders, Rev. H. H. Fertig.
D. D. Lowery, Rev. S. C. Enck, D.D.

Message of Comfort, Bishop Bell.
Ordination Service, conducted by Bishop Bell.
Report of Stationing Committee.

## Sunday Evening.

6:00 Christian Endeavor Rally.
7:00 Evening Worship.
Sermon by Rev. C. I. B. Brane, D.D. Theme, "The Perfect Image." I. John 3:2.

|  | NAME. | Address. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1876 | Albright. I. H., Ph.D............... E | Middletown | Pa. |
| 1881 | Arndt, R. $\mathrm{S}_{\text {............ . . . . . . . . . . . . }}^{\text {E }}$ | Adamsdale |  |
| 1903 | Balsbaugh, P. H....................... ${ }^{\text {E }}$ | 123 N . Fourth St., Columbia | Pa. |
| 1897 | Batdorf, G. D., Ph.D. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . E | 127 Charlotte St., Lancaster. |  |
| 1889 | Beach, Wm.......................... E $_{\text {E }}^{\text {E }}$ | Royalton . . . . . . . . . . Shambi. | Pa. |
| 1901 | Behney, H. J. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . E $_{\text {E }}^{\text {E }}$ | 100 E. Sunbury St., Shamokin | $\stackrel{\text { Pa. }}{\text { Pa. }}$ |
| 1910 |  | Annville <br> 425 W. Oley St., Reading... | ${ }_{\text {Pa. }}^{\text {Pa. }}$ |
| 1862 | Binkley, John..................... . S'd E | Jonestown ............. | Pa. |
| 1913 | Boeshore, H. F........................ I, | 428 N. Eleventh St., Lebanon | a. |
| 1888 | Bossler, E. A. G. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . F | Middletown | . |
| 1891 | Boughter, C. E......................... E | 1435 Perkiomen Ave, Reading |  |
| 1904 | Bowermaster, J. R.................... E | Lancaster |  |
| 1872 | Brane, C. I. B., D.D................. E | Dayton |  |
| 1901 | Brenneman, B. M..................... . . E | West Will | Pa. |
| 1912 | Brooks, O. R...... . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . L | Jonestown |  |
| 1911 | Brown, J. F.......................... . . E | R. D. 2, Shamokin |  |
| 1895 |  | 9.5 N. Tenth St., Reading |  |
| 1891 | Butterwick, R., R. D.D.................. . . . . | Hershey |  |
| 1880 | Butterwick, F. J.. .................. . ${ }^{\text {; }}$ d E | 372 N. Eleventh St., Lebanon | a. |
| 1889 | Daugherty, Joseph...................... . | 2233 N. Sixth St., Harrisburg | Pa. |
| 1889 | Daugherty, B. F., D.D................E | S:37 Willow St., Lebanon. |  |
| 1901 | Daugherty, S $_{\text {S }}^{\text {F }} \mathrm{F}_{\ddot{\mathrm{E}}}$ D.D...............E ${ }^{\text {E }}$ |  |  |
| 1898 1910 |  | ${ }_{R}^{258}$ Herr St., Harrisburg |  |
| 1908 |  | 13 Water St., Lebanon. |  |
| 1888 | Enck, S. C., D.D...................... . | 5943 Washington Ave., Philad |  |
| 1913 | Fake, ${ }^{\text {N. }}$ I.. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . L | Hopeland |  |
| 1885 | Faust, S. D., D.D..... . . . . . . . . . . . . . . E | Dayton | Ohio |
| 1973 | Fertig, H. H......................... . . L | Enders . . . |  |
| 1915 |  | Intercourse Mountville | Pa. |
| 1912 |  | Canton | China |
| 1913 | Funk, Ira W......................... . . I, | Coatesville |  |
| 1879 |  | S?2 Church St., Lebanon |  |
| 1871 | Garland, Thos.... . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . S'd E | Penbrook | Pa. |
| 1911 |  | Dayton | Pa |
| 1884 | Goodinan. B. F.. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . E | Tremont |  |
| 1911 | Groff, Martin. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . L | Safe Harbor ................ | Pa. |
| 187.5 | Groff, I. M. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . S'y E | 56 S. Duke St., Lancaster | Pa. |
| 1915 1910 | Gottschall, L. D....................... . ${ }_{\text {L }}^{\text {Haas, }}$ | Allentown <br> 14 S. Vine St., Mt. Carmel | Pa. |
| 1878 |  | Palmyra . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . |  |
| 1904 | Hanseler, A. L......................... E | Manheim | Pa. |
| 1913 | Hallman, Geo. W. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | Millersburg |  |
| 1898 | Hershey, I. Moyer..................... E | Myerstown |  |
| 1910 1903 | Hess, George W.................... ${ }_{\text {E }}^{\text {E }}$ | Tower City <br> Aristes .... | Pa. |
| 1910 | Holzinger, $\stackrel{\text { C }}{\text { C. }}$ H. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . L | Princeton |  |
| 1891 | Tones M. ${ }^{\text {H. }}$. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . , , | 1010 Lehman St., Lebanon |  |
| 191.3 | Jones, John O.......................... L | Mont Clare |  |
| 1891 | Kaufman. S. G........................... . . | S25 N. Shippen St., Lancaster |  |
| 1903 1888 |  | ${ }_{1113} \mathbf{N}$ N. Oucen St., Lancaster |  |
| 1903 |  | O'serlin . . . . . . . . . . . . . | Pa. |
| 1896 |  | R. D. 1, Bath | Pa. |
| 1880 | Kramer, $\dot{\text { L }}$. R............................. | Cressona | Pa. |
| 1880 | Lamey, Wm....... . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . S $^{\prime}$ y E | Chapman's Quarries | Pa. |
| 1901 | Lehman, A. S...................... . . . . E | Hummelstown |  |
| 1906 | Linebaugh, N. L. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 5845 Catharine St., Philadelphia |  |
| 1897 |  | Mt. Joy . . . . . Cle |  |
| 1913 | Longenecker. C . R... . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | Palmyra |  |
| 1910 | Lowery, Ira D.......................... . . E | Halifax |  |
| 1910 | Lynch, ${ }^{\text {C. }}$ A............................. . . | 1725 Carnation St., Harrisburg |  |
| 1888 | L.vter, J. A., D.D....................... . . E | 1508 Derry St., Harris ${ }^{\text {Annville }}$ |  |
| 1905 | Mease, O. L. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . E $^{\text {E }}$ | Mountville |  |
| 1908 | Mease, Clarence......................... . . E | Williamstown |  |
| 1913 | Mentzer, H. M.......................... . . . | Valley View |  |
| 1884 | Miller, C. S.............................. . | Lititz |  |

ITINERANTS-Continued

|  | NAME. |  | Address. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1889 | Miller, H. M. | E | Penbrook | $\overline{\mathrm{Pa}}$ |
| 1892 | Miller, M. H... | E | Denver | Pa . |
| 1894 | Miller, H. E. ${ }_{\text {d }}$ | E | 349 N. Ninth St., Lebanon |  |
| 1907 | Morgan, R. E... | E | Pine Grove .............. | $\mathrm{Pa}$ |
| 1909 | Musselman, J. F | E | Freetown .... | Africa |
| 1887 | $\text { Mutch, C } \mathrm{C} \text {. }$ | E | 64 Church St., Ephrata |  |
| 1894 |  | E | Paradise | $\mathrm{Pa}$ |
| 1912 | Rettew, C. E. | E | New Holland ................. | $\stackrel{\text { Pa. }}{\text { Pa. }}$ |
| 1895 | Rhoads, S. L | E | 125 N. 18th St., Harrisburg | Pa. |
| 1906 | Richter, Geo. M | E | Schuylkill Haven | Pa . |
| 1894 | Romig, O. G | E | Florin . . . . . . . | Pa . |
| 1909 | Rothermel, G. W | E | Elizabethville | Pa . |
| 1900 | Rupp. S. E., D.D | E | 343 Reily St., Harrisburg | Pa . |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1913 \\ & 1867 \end{aligned}$ | Shaeffer, H. E. Shoop, Tames. |  |  | Pa |
| 1906 | Shoop, C. W. | E | Elizabethville <br> Canton | China |
| 1911 | Shoop, W. E | L | R. D. 1, Lebanon | Pa. |
| 1913 | Smith, H. A. | E | Annville ........ | Pa . |
| 1899 | Shroyer, A. E | E | Annville .... |  |
| 1903 | Snavely, C. A. | E | 1222 Wyoming Ave., Philad | Pa |
| 1891 | Spangler, J. T., D |  | Annville ................. |  |
| 1874 1900 | Steiner, J. G..... |  | Los Angeles Elizalethtown | Cal. |
| 1913 | Ulrich. C. Y | E | 134 E. Allegheny Ave., P | Pa |
| 1915 | Wagner, M. A | L | 38 Mifflin St., Lebanon... | Pa. |
| 1891 | Walters, J. M. | E | ${ }_{233}^{356}$ Sine Second St., Sunbury Steelto | Pa |
| 1906 | Wert, M. H |  |  | Pa. |
| 1912 | Young, D. E. | . E | 610 S. St. Joseph St., Sout | Ind. |

## LOCAL

| 1914 | Beamesderfer, Cornwell. | Myerstown ................................ Pa. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1885 | Blecker, A. M........................... . | Myerstown ................................. Pa. |
| 1913 | Blouch, G. L. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . L | Freeport . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Ill. |
| 1914 | Carl, O. E................... . . . . . . . . . L | Spring Glen |
| 1915 | Castetter, E. F..................... $\mathrm{L}_{\text {L }}$ | Annville . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Pa. |
| 1917 | Dundore, Samuel T.................... . | Annville . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Pa |
| 1913 | Earley, C. L......... . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . E | 1430 N. Third St., Harrisburg. . . . . . . . . . . Pa. |
| 1917 | Geyer, Harvey K...................... ${ }_{\text {L }}$ | Annville ........................... . . . . . . . Pa Pa. |
| 1917 | Groff, M. B................ . . . . . . . . . . L | R. D. 1, Gap . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Pa. |
| 1917 | Heberlig, R. S....... . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . L | Highspire . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Pa . |
| 1916 | Hummel, J. Paul...................... . . L | Hummelstown ............................... Pa. |
| 1916 | Kachel, W. H... . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . L | Jonestown .................................. Pa . |
| 1885 | Kurtz, J. H.... . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ${ }^{\text {E }}$ | Bellwood . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Pa . |
| 1917 | Kurtz, Parke B....................... L | 125 N. 61st St., Philadelphia............... Pa. |
| 1889 | Lehman, W. H............ . . . . . . . . . . E |  |
| 1914 | Richie, G. A....... . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\mathrm{E}^{\text {E }}$ | 837 Linden St., Allentown ................ Pa. |
| 1893 | Roop, H. U., Ph.D . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . E | Manasses . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Va. $^{\text {Pa }}$ |
| 1913 |  |  |
| 1917 | Shanron, Paul E. V. . . . . . . . . . . . . $L_{\text {L }}$ | Annville . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . P Pa. |
| 1916 | Sollenberger. C. A.................... L |  |
| 1881 | Weidman, B. B...................... $\mathrm{E}_{\text {E }}^{\text {I }}$ | Sinking Spring . . . . . . . . . $\quad$ Philio......... Pa. |
| 1915 | Witmer. C . C....................... E | Manilla .................. Philippine Islands |

## LIST OF LAY DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES



| Lingle | H. Stine |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | D. Sturgis |
| yke | G. Deibler |
| kens | V. Riegle |
| Manheim | . Cassel |
| ano | K. Brenner |
| Middlet | H. R. Bauder |
| Millersbur | H. Chubb |
| Mont Cla | Redman |
| Mount Carn | W. H. Deitrich |
| Mount Joy | H. N. Nissley |
| Mountville | J. G. Stehman |
| Myerstow | Isaac B. Haak |
| Neffsville | B. Reidenbaugh |
| New Holla | B. B. Brubaker |
| Northamp | R. H. Patterson |
| berlin | A. Stengle |
| almyra, | Engle |
| Palmyra, Sec | P. Shearer |
| aradise | ilmer H. Conrad |
| Penbroo | F. J. Heinley |
| Pequea | H. Rhoads |
| Philadelphia, | Fox Vogt |
| Philadelphia, Secon | Spengler |
| Phil.ıdelphia, Third. | W. T. Woods |
| Pine Grove. | A. H. Boughter |
| Pottstown. | Lewis Murray |
| Reading, Zi | Theodore Deysher |
| Reading, Tr | E. C. Smith |
| Reading, Salem | John E. Coldren |
| Royalton. | ames F. Flowers |
| chaefferst | Frank B. Horst |
| Schuylkill Haven | eorge P. W. Saul |
| Shamokin, First | S. Hendricks |
| hamokin, Second | G. W. Frederick |
| Shamokin Circuit | .W. E. Richie |
| eelton | M. Heagy |
| Sunbury | Henry Suffel |
| Tower Ci | Jacob Kohr |
| Tremont | in Klinger |
| Union | Witman |
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| Sest Willow and | Wm. Dull |
|  | Vm. Ritzma |

## OUR DEPARTED HEROES

1804. 

John Senseny, M. D. John Duma.

1806
Peter Senseny.
Jacob Geisinger.
1811.

Peter Kemp.
John Hershey.
1812.

Matthias Kessler.
Martin Boehm.
George A. Geeting.
1813.

Philip W. Otterbein.
1819.

David Snyder.
Valentine Baulus.
1821.

Isaac Niswander.
Frederick Herr.
1823.

Henry Werde.
Jacob Brazer.
Adam Lehman.
Christian Crum.

1825
Abraham Drakesel.
1826.
A. Meyer.
1827.

Christian Ludwig.
Philip Zeigler.

| Christopher 1829. | H. W. Landis. <br> J. S. Kessler. |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1830. | 1864. |
| Christian Newcomer. | D. M. Reesor |

1868. 

Amos S. Miller.
George A. Mark, Sr. Daniel Moyer.
Daniel Peifer.
1870.

Joseph F. Light.
1873.
S. K. Deitrich.
A. Steigerwalt.
I. C. Poulton.
1875.

Jacob Roop.
$18 \% \%$.
Christian Kauffman.
1880.
J. K. Nelson.
S. V. Mohn.
J. S. Riddle.
J. W. Kunkle.
1881.

John Shaffer.
T. Kreider.
1882.
C. Seltzer Meily.
J. G. Clair.
1884.
D. Hoffman.

Conrad G. Geist.
1885.
A. Krause.
J. D. A. Garman.
1886.
H. H. Gelbach.

Henry G. Sherrick.
George A. Mark.
J. R. Teter

Henry Dissinger.

## OUR DEPARTED HEROES

1887. 

J. Ruh1.

John Stehman.
1888.

David Strickler.
1889.

Job Light.
1900.
J. H. Mark.
L. W. Craumer.
A. L. Shannon.
1901.

Joseph Young.
1902.

Jonas L. Kroll.
George Schindler.
Amos Graul.
John G. Smoker.
Ira E. Albert.
1903.

William J. Egge.
W. H. Uhler.

Ezekiel Light.
Philip Deitrich.
1904.

Joel Light.
1895.

John W. Etter.
1896.
H. E. Hackman, Wesley Deitrich.
1897.

Simon Zimmerman. Abraham Kauffman. Simon L. Minnich.
1891.
J. A. Clemm.

Jacob Doerkson.
John Meyer.
1892.
M. P. Sanders.

James G. Fritz.
Benj. K. Keck.
S. R. Gipple.

Jacob Stehman.
1893.

Lewis Peters.
Isaiah Baltzell.
Wm. N. Shelly.
1905.

Hiram B. Dohner.
G. W. M. Rigor.
1906.
$190 \%$.
Samuel Etter.
H. S. Jenaryan

Solomon L. Swartz.
1898.
J. H. Johnson. Simon Mower.
1899.
H. D. Lehman. J. B. Daugherty.

Simon Noll.
C. G. F. Miller.
1908.

John H. Lowery. Abraham R. Meyers. Lewis Fleisher.
J. X. Quigley.
1909.

Jacob T. Shaffer. Henry W. Andrews.
1910.

Charles Bauer.
J. R. Meredith.
P. A. Bowman.
1911.
J. P. Smith.
S. M. Humnel.
W. A. Baier.

George Stoll.
1912.

Frederick List.
J. R. Elecker.
H. F. McNelly.
M. J. Mumma.
U. S. G. Renn.
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S. S. Daugherty.
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J. W. Boughter. H. S. Gabel.
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Arthur S. Beckley. J. Francis Smith. Jacob Runk.
1917.

Amos Lehman. W. W. Fridinger. Samuel B. Wengert. George W. Enders. Daniel D. Lowery.

J. A. Lyter, D.D., S. C. Enck, D.D., H. E. Miller, D.D., Conference Superintendents.
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| 2 Sixth Street. . . . . . | 21 |  |  | , | 26 | 270 | 26 | 48 | 370 | 170 | 3 |  |
| 3 Annville. | 109 | 1 | 20 | 1 | 50 | 595 | 40 | 25 | 710 | 333 | 4 | 4 |
| 4 Avon. | 18 | 1 | 46 | 1 | 30 | 345 | 10 | 27 | 412 | 231 | 11 | 1 |
| 5 Bellegrove |  |  |  | 4 | 65 | 409 | 20 | 37 | 531 | 300 | 2 |  |
| 6 Berne . | 25 |  |  | 3 | 54 | 316 | 3 | 26 | 399 | 220 | 2 |  |
| 7 Birdsboro. |  |  |  |  | 19 | 165 |  | 4 | 188 | 120 | 3 |  |
| 8 Catawissa. | 20 |  |  | 5 | 45 | 435 | 65 | 60 | 605 | 400 | 8 | 6 |
| 9 Centerville | 13 | 1 | 7 | 4 | 62 | 342 | 31 | 34 | 469 | 244 | 6 | 5 |
| 10 Chamber Hill . |  | 1 | 24 | 2 | 29 | 245 | 38 | 31 | 343 |  | 2 | 3 |
| 11 Coatesville. | 17 | 1 | 12 | 1 | 18 | 157 |  | 7 | 182 | 103 | 4 | 1 |
| 12 Columbia. | 97 | 1 | 24 | 1 | 67 | 522 | 38 | 91 | 718 | 340 | 2 | 6 |
| 13 Cressona | 90 |  |  | 1 | 18 | 152 | 20 | 13 | 203 | 100 | 3 |  |
| 14 Denver. | 15 | 1 | 12 | 3 | 36 | 218 | 22 | 40 | 316 | 191 | 3 |  |
| 15 Elizabethtow | 68 | 1 | 45 | 1 | 17 | 358 | 24 | 58 | 457 | 270 | 3 | 2 |
| 16 Ephrata. | 47 | 1 | 40 | 1 | 26 | 291 | 68 | 61 | 446 | 217 | 2 |  |
| 17 Florin. | 29 |  |  | 1 | 21 | 187 | 18 | 29 | 255 | 145 | 3 |  |
| 18 Grant ville |  |  |  | 4 | 43 | 385 |  |  | 428 | 299 |  |  |
| 19 Halifax. | 39 | 1 | 6 | 1 | 36 | 281 | 21 | 32 | 370 | 154 | 5 | 2 |
| 20 Harrisburg, First | 81 | 1 | 57 | 1 | 30 | 290 | 29 | 29 | 378 | 171 | 13 |  |
| 21 Otterbein.. | 65 | 1 | 47 | 1 | 46 | 734 | 40 | 85 | 905 | 343 | 13 |  |
| 22 Derry Street | 107 | 1 | 78 | 1 | 52 | 1099 | 15 | 63 | 1229 | 651 | 7 |  |
| 23 State Street. | 62 | 1 | 45 | 1 | 33 | 549 | 7 | 53 | 642 | 310 | 8 | 2 |
| 24 Sixth Street. | 73 | 1 | 50 |  | 70 | 681 | 18 | 94 | 863 | 350 | 17 |  |
| 25 Hershey. | 33 | 1 | 46 | 1 | 29 | 328 |  | 30 | 387 | 175 | 3 |  |
| 20 Highspire | 67 | 1 | 56 | 1 | 46 | 453 | 25 | 38 | 562 | 270 | 4 |  |
| 27 Hillsdale. |  |  |  | 4 | 47 | 183 |  | 21 | 251 | 135 | 3 |  |
| 28 Hopeland | 42 |  |  | 1 | 24 | 309 | 24 | 48 | 405 | 155 | 2 | 3 |
| 29 Hummelstown | 73 | 1 | 15 | 1 | 23 | 496 | 40 | 50 | 609 | 303 | 4 |  |
| 30 Intercourse | 12 |  |  | 2 | 18 | 110 | 58 | 10 | 196 | 69 | 2 |  |
| 31 Iona. | 16 |  |  | 2 | 38 | 309 | 62 | 31 | 440 | 165 | 5 |  |
| 32 Jacksonville |  |  |  | 7 | 51 | 427 |  | 10 | 488 | 278 |  |  |
| 33 Jonestown | 10 |  |  | 4 | 60 | 256 |  | 30 | 346 |  | 9 |  |
| 34 Lancaster, Covenant | 100 | 1 | 60 | 1 | 38 | 750 | 70 | 100 | 958 | 400 | 10 | 6 |
| 35 N. Queen Street. | 87 | 1 | 79 | 1 | 29 | 473 | 31 | 50 | 583 | 275 | , |  |
| 36 Laurel Street. | 34 |  |  | 1 | 10 | 78 | 20 | 51 | 159 |  |  |  |
| 37 Lebanon, Salem | 80 |  |  | 1 | 60 | 1090 | 129 | 98 | 1377 | 643 |  |  |
| 38 Trinity. | 59 | 1 | 60 | 1 | 42 | 356 | 38 | 47 | 483 | 208 | 4 |  |
| 39 Memorial. | 70 | 1 | 25 | 1 | 32 | 369 | 20 | 34 | 455 | 187 | 4 |  |
| 40 Bethany. |  | 1 | 37 | 1 | 33 | 369 | 14 | 17. | 433 | 180 | 2 |  |
| 41 West. | 18 | 1 | 14 | 1 | 24 | 312 | 14 | 57 | 407 | 170 | 5 |  |
| 42 Hebron. . . . |  |  |  |  | 21 | 277 | 18 | 30 | 346 | 165 |  |  |
| 43 Pleasant Hill. | 39 |  |  | 3 | 60 | 744 | 46 | 109 | 959 | 411 | 8 |  |
| 44 Lebanon Circuit. |  |  |  |  | 28 | 249 |  | 20 | 297 |  |  |  |
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## Conference Procedilngs, 1917.




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## SUMMARY OF STATISTICS

Churches-Number of Organized Churches, 142.
Ministers-Itinerants, 102; local preachers, 23; total, 125.
Membership-Beginning of year, 25,305 ; received by confession of faith, 1,339; received by letter or transfer, 591; received by change of boundary, 268; total in church during year, 27,503 ; lost by death, 312 ; lost by letter and transfer, 570 ; lost by change of boundary, 329 ; all other losses, 1,099 ; total loss, 2,310; present membership, 25,193; increase, 795; decrease, 907 ; net decrease, 112; received under watchcare of church, 205.

Societies-Number of Y. P. S. C. E. societies, 111; members in Y. P. S. C. E. societies, 4,924; number of Junior and Intermediate societies, 71; members in Junior and Intermediate societies, 3,587; number of Otterbein Brotherhoods, 8 ; members in Otterbein Brotherhoods, 393 ; number of W. M. A. societies, 81; members in W. M. A. societies, 3,249; number Otterbein Guilds, 44; members in Otterbein Guilds, 1,754.

Sunday School-Number Sunday schools, 150; teachers and officers, 3,041; scholars in main school, 30,735 ; scholars in home department, 1,972; number on cradle roll, 3,612 ; total enrollment, 39,360 ; number organized adult classes, 346; number organized classes (ages 12-20), 147; scholars in organized adult classes, 11,562; Sunday-school libraries, 44; volumes in libraries, 8,523; added to church from Sunday school, 904.

Literature-Religious Telescope, 1,106; Watchword, 1,557; Friend for Boys and Girls, 1,185; Otterbein Teacher, 1,190; Otterbein Adult Quarterly, 3,107; Otterbein Quarterly, 13,065; Otterbein Intermediate Quarterly, 5,081; Otterbein Home Department Quarterly, 2,011; Weekly Bible Lesson Leaves, 1,739; Lessons for Our Juniors, 2,558; Bible Pictures for Little Ones, 1,756; Lesson Picture Chart, 51; Graded Series, 3,252; Woman's Evangel, 1,587; Conference Herald, 1,356.

Finances-P'astors' salary, $\$ 76,215.80$; missionary appropriations, $\$ 3,590$; parsonage rent, $\$ 13,380.70$; presents received, $\$ 4,552.59$; total received by pastors, $\$ 97,739.09$; local current expenses, $\$ 56,984.79$; church and parsonage repair, $\$ 18,608.35$; for new church, $\$ 42,143.87$; for new parsonage, $\$ 536.19$; for local Sunday-school purposes, $\$ 26,802.19$; for local Y. P. S. C. E., $\$ 1,782.95$; for Philadelphia Second Church, $\$ 256$; benevolence budget, $\$ 17,099.26$; conference budget, $\$ 15,445$; Philadelphia Third Church, $\$ 1,274.15$; special foreign missions, $\$ 5,564.32$; special home missions, $\$ 2,988,62$; special church erection, $\$ 737.66$; Lebanon Valley college, $\$ 5,674.04$; Y. P. S. C. E. offerings (not for budget), $\$ 696.79$; Junior and Intermediate offerings (not for budget), $\$ 460.33$; Brotherhood (not for budget), \$356.36; Children's Day (not for budget), $\$ 230.72$; special Sunday-school work, $\$ 871.74$; W. M. A. contributions, $\$ 8,985.06$; Otterbein Guild contributions, $\$ 3,739.77$; Quincy Orphanage, $\$ 4,035.77$; temperance cause, $\$ 1,195.72$; evangelistic work, $\$ 2,951.81$; Bible cause, $\$ 42.49$; miscellaneous, $\$ 5,044.51$; total for all purposes, $\$ 326,472.55$.

Property-Church houses, 147; value, $\$ 1,409,087$; debt, $\$ 204,108$; net value, $\$ 1,204,979$; parsonages, 62; value, $\$ 204,120$; debt, $\$ 27,711$; net value, $\$ 176,409$.

Miscellaneous-Months employed, 1,044; conference Minutes wanted, 5,393.

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Help us to secure a profitable circulation for these new quarterlies. You will also be pleased to hear of the publication of three new, illustrated Sunday-school papers. "The Friend for Boys and Girls" is discontinued after 1917, and in the place of this eight-page paper, comes two new eight-page papers, "The Boys' Friend" and "The Girls' Friend." This innovation is sure to be welcomed by our Juniors and Intermediates. It will make school more attractive to them. Priced the same as the old "Friend," it means no increase in expense to schools. We are hoping the change will mean a large increase in carculation.

Our old elementary paper, "Lessons for Our Juniors," will not appear after 1917. Its place as a lesson help will be assumed by the new Primary Quarterly and a new, four-page, illustrated paper, "Our Little Folks," which will be filled with instructional and entertaining features for the Primary and Beginners' departments.

These are the things which will make 1918 an epochal year for our schools and also for our Publishing House. We ask for teamwork to the end that this epoch may, in future years, be referred to with all the delight that goes with the successful culmination of a big and worthy enterprise.

# Effective War Time Team Work Spells S-U-C-C-E-S-S 


[^0]:    Resolved, That the routine hearing of pastors' reports, one by one, be dispensed with, and that pastors and delegates of charges reporting deficits meet with the Finance committee for conference about the matter, and that said committee report its conclusions and recommendations to this body, and that the names and characters of all employed ministers against whom no charges exist or are preferred be passed with the presentation of their reports to the conference.

    Paul E. V. Shannon was appointed page of the conference.
    The bishop appointed the following committees for this session of the conference:

    Boundary Committee-The Superintendence Committee.
    C. A. Mutch.
    O. T. Ehrhart.
    I. G. Mentzer.
    C. R. Longenecker.
    A. S. Kreider.
    S. F. Daugherty, D.D.
    S. C. Enck, D.D.
    A. K. Wier.
    H. M. Miller.
    D. S. Longenecker. M. K. Light.
    M. S. Hendricks.

    ## Nominating Committee.

    M. H. Jones.
    I. B. Maak.

    Committee on Devotions.
    J. A. Lyter, D.D. A. S. Kreider.

    Conference Publication Board.
    J. A. Lyter, D.D. . I. N. Seldomridge.
    J. R. Engle.

    Conference Finance Commission.
    Committee of Superintendents.
    B. F. Daugherty, D.D.
    H. M. Miller.
    S. C. Enck, D.D.
    S. F. Daugherty.

    Robert A. Enders. J. R. Engle.

[^1]:    To real estate-
    Philadelphia Second, lot
    Philadelphia Third, lot
    \$8,000.00
    19,500.00

